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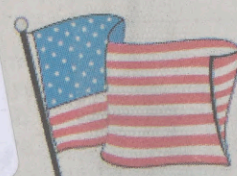
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Snow Day!

No school snow day means sledding down the hill by the Senior Center near Wilmington Common. Hailey Requera and her friend Olivia Raposa having a great time in the snow. (photo: BruceHilliard.com)



Planners review site plans and stormwater permits

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON - At last night's Planning Board meeting, the board reviewed a number of site plan reviews, subdivisions, and stormwater management permits for various plots in town.

First, they voted to receive the request to withdraw site plan review #19-11 and stormwater management permit #19-08 for 225 Andover St. on behalf of American Maplewood Properties, LLC. Next, they voted to accept Form A, titled "Plan of Land in Wilmington, MA, 471 Salem Street."

They went on to accept site plan review #19-07 for 773 Salem St., wherein Ryan Lynch spoke on behalf of AT&T; and site plan review #19-13 and stormwater management permit #19-11 for 900 Main St. on behalf of Michael Scully.

After a small back-and-forth about rooftop drainage on the site of 900 Main St., the board provided a myriad solutions for easier dumpster access and suggested adding to the lighting plan.

The board accepted the definitive subdivision #19-02 and stormwater management permit #19-09 for Highland Estates on behalf of James Castellano after acknowledging that a few houses have been moved to

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For 'Ledges' project on Main Street at Wilmington line

Woburn ZBA allows third-party trucking activity

By PATRICK BLAIS

WOBURN — Ending a five-month long administrative hearing, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) recently overturned a cease-and-desist order by allowing a Connecticut developer to fulfill crushed rock orders

directly from the Ledges at Woburn site.

During their latest regular meeting in City Hall, the ZBA as expected voted unanimously in favor of modifying a comprehensive permit issued in Feb. of 2018 to Woburn 38 Development, a subsidiary of Connecticut's

Franklin Construction, for a 168-unit apartment complex at 1042 Main St. by the Altavesta School.

The ZBA action essentially provides Woburn 38 Development with a mechanism to side-step a May cease-and-desist order which forbid the North Woburn landown-

ers' excavation contractor from selling processed stone directly from the active construction site.

Acton-based Onyx Construction, charged with removing some 357,000 cubic yards of ledge that is being blasted out of the hilly terrain at the nine-

acre property, can now make arrangements with customers to pick-up those aggregate materials directly from the Wilmington line parcel. As a condition of the ZBA decision, all initial sales activity must occur off-site.

According to ZBA Chair

Margaret Pinkham, who helped finalize the four-page decision in recent weeks, local officials added a series of conditions aimed at curbing the movement of heavy trucks on residential side streets off of Route 38.

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McCoy wins two awards at Woburn Guild of Artists Fall Exhibition

By CASSIA BURNS
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Last weekend, Danielle McCoy, a graphite pencil artist from Wilmington, won two awards at the Woburn

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▲ Danielle McCoy of Wilmington, with her award-winnin piece "Holding My Mother's Hand."

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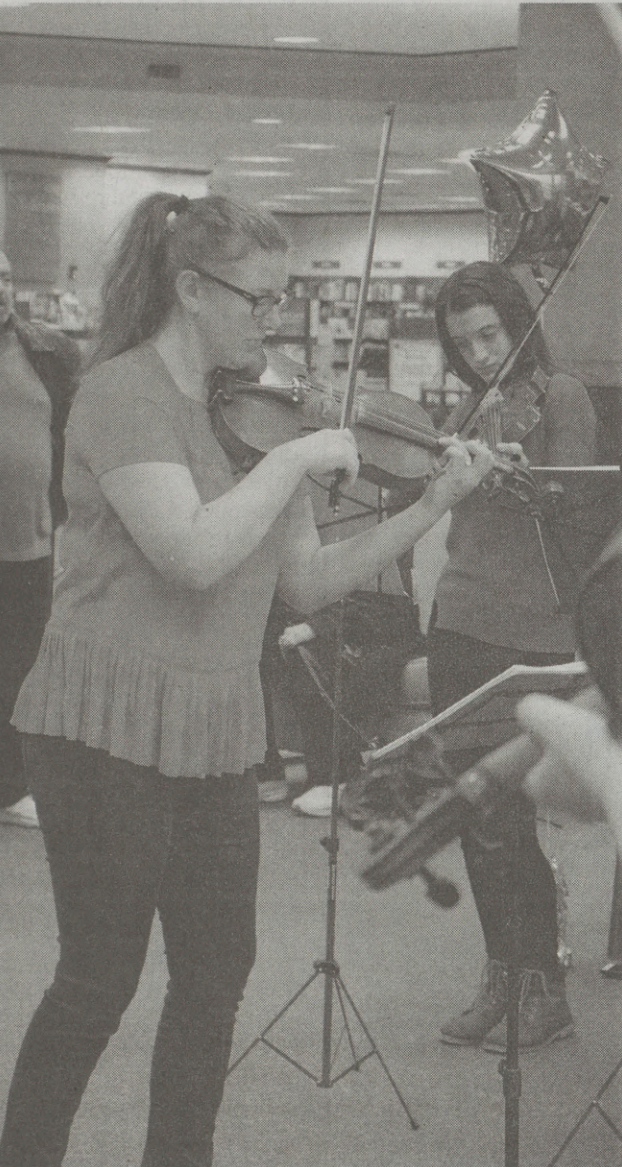
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It's Your Money

by Todd Brisbois



WHEN IS A WORKER AN EMPLOYEE?

Many businesses sensibly classify their workforce as independent contractors hoping to avoid headaches like scheduling workers, withholding taxes, and navigating federal employment laws. However, it's not enough to hire a worker and simply define them as an independent contractor. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has strict classification guidelines that must be followed.

The Three IRS Factors

There is no single dispositive factor or definitive test that determines whether a worker is an employee or an independent contractor. Each case is judged on its individual circumstances. The IRS considers the degree of control and independence the worker has through these three factors:

Behavioral: Who controls what the worker does and how the worker does it? Greater control by an employer will favor an "employee" designation.

Financial: Is the worker independent from the company's business? Greater employer investment (e.g., providing tools and reimbursements) favors an "employee" designation.

Relationship: May the person work for other companies and is there a job finish date? An exclusive and permanent working relationship favors an "employee" designation.

What Does This Mean for Businesses?

Employers who fail to properly classify workers may be liable for back wages, back taxes, and penalties plus interest. Unpaid trust fund taxes may even attach to business owners, despite bankruptcy.

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News and notes from WCTV

By **SHAUN NEVILLE**
WCTV Executive Director

The winter concert series is getting underway in the Wilmington Public Schools and WCTV will be bringing each concert to you LIVE (Comcast 9/Verizon 37). The concerts will also stream online at wctv.org/live and be posted to our website the following day.

Concerts go for the next two Thursday and Tuesday nights starting at 7 p.m. Tune in to listen to kids from across the school system sing and play.

... I hope many of you were able to tune in on Thanksgiving for coverage of the annual football rivalry game between Wilmington and Tewksbury. We were able to air the game thanks to our friends at Tewksbury Telemedia, who covered the game for their own viewers and shared the feed for those of us in Wilmington. Community media centers don't share a lot of content simply because much of what we cover is so town specific (the folks in Andover probably don't care very much about our Board of Selectmen coverage). But we always look for videos that may be produced in other towns that you in Wilmington are interested in watching. This happens a lot with high school sports and over the past year, we've shared a number of programs across the border with Tewksbury, including a library event on Silver Lake and programs featuring State Rep. Dave Robertson.

Tewksbury only launched their own television station in 2018 and we look forward to future collaborations!

... WCTV's Community Connections Donation Drive goes for the next several weeks. This Saturday, WCTV will be at the We're One Wilmington Festival of Trees with our portable green screen from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For any donation amount, you can get your picture taken in front of the green screen. We'll add a holiday background of your choice... and post it as part of a community photo album. This is a great way to document your visit to the Festival of Trees or as a fun photo to share on social media.

The following Saturday, we'll be recording holiday greetings at WCTV. For a \$50 donation, you can come in and have your family record a message, up to a minute long, with a holiday background. We'll send you the file the following Monday and then you can share it with family and friends — either via social media or email.

If you want to do the video, you need to make an appointment in advance. You can reach me at shaun@wctv.org to learn more information.

WCTV is running a donation drive this December to help offset losses we're seeing in funding tied to traditional cable, which is our primary revenue stream.

This is your chance to show your support for WCTV and the work being done in the community. The goal here is to maintain services even if revenue declines. You can look for more details at wctv.org.

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History:

Harry Ames pulled tricks with railroad tickets

By LARZ F. NEILSON

The name Ames is very common in Massachusetts. There were many prominent people and businesses with that name. In Wilmington Square, there was Ames News, directly across the street from the railroad depot.

The paper store was started by Henry Ames, Jr., better known as Harry. Before starting the news store, he had a stage career. Capt. Larz Neilson wrote of him, A retired thespian, Harry, in keeping with his past profession, was just about the finest bit of sartorial splendor in the Town of Wilmington.

He never appeared without spats, and when outside there was always a jauntily cocked derby and

yellow gloves. If Harry ever appeared at his little emporium in the morning without freshly shaved jowls, we think there would have been a revolution in Wilmington that day.

The store would be stacked high with papers and merchandise, and Harry would peer out from between stacks. In addition to newspapers, tobacco, magazines, comic books, candy and toys, Harry sold train tickets.

The Boston and Maine Railroad would sell discounted booklets of 12 tickets, but they could only be used if the booklet was presented to the conductor. Regular individual tickets were printed differently, to prevent ticket vendors such as Harry Ames from selling dis-

counted tickets at full price.

For every challenge, though, there is probably an answer, and Harry cooked up a good one. When he sold a book of tickets, he would tell the customer that it was not used up, he would buy it back, pro-rated and discounted. He could then sell tickets in partial books, making an extra six percent on the deal.

Harry also worked a deal with the Boston newspapers to have exclusive rights in Wilmington Square. Between the train tickets and the newspapers, Harry did a great business.

After Harry died, the store was run for many years by his daughter, Maude Ames Dickson. It

was sold to Anthony Zeoli of Reading, who moved it into the old Economy Grocery Store, next to Huntley's Lunch. That building was torn down in 1963 to make way for the telephone building, still on that site.

The business was then sold to Joe McManus, known as "Harpo." He moved into one of the small stores just up the hill. Harpo kept selling newspapers and train tickets, but he also sold another kind of tickets, involving horses. He couldn't advertise that business, but anyone wanting to place a bet could always find Harpo in the paper store. When Harpo died, so did the Ames News store.

There was also Josie Ames, Joseph Newton

Ames, Harry's uncle whose mother was Harriot Gillis Ames. She had run what was known as the Gillis Tavern, the old Canal House at the Gillis locks. The locks were the halfway point on the Middlesex Canal, and canal boats would often tie up there overnight.

The Ames family had a home on Main Street, where the Wilmington Theater was later built. Joseph Newton Ames had also been an actor. In the era before film, he would

sometimes appear in two plays in one evening. Joseph Newton Ames had roles in both plays, presented in one evening 140 years ago in Ames Hall. The hall was the upstairs of Charles Hudson's store in Wilmington Square.

He later had an antiques business in the Square.

The Gillis ancestry went back to Gen. John Stark, a hero of Bunker Hill and the Battle of Bennington, who originated the New Hampshire motto, "Live Free or Die."

Troop 136 raises funds for IFWV



Boy Scout Troop 136 recently held a fundraiser to collect items and invited the public to sign Christmas and Holiday cards to be given to iPods for Wounded Veterans for distribution to area Veteran Hospitals. Troop 136 collected many items and had more than 300 cards signed which will brighten the holiday season for hospitalized veterans. Pictured from left are iPods founder Paul Cardello, Troop 136 Scouts Jacob Doucette, Conor Byrnes, Max Pappas and David MacLaren. Boy Scout Troop 136 meets on Thursdays at Friendship Lodge (Wilmington Mason Hall) 32 Church St., Wilmington from 7 - 8:30 p.m. They are looking for several more youth (age 11 and up) who have an interest in scouting to attend a meeting or call Frank West at 978-658-1754 or email troop136wilm@aol.com. Boy Scout Troop would like to thank all who participated and donated items for this GREAT cause.

Tewksbury Police launch Safe Watch Program

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Police Department is proud to announce that they have launched a Safe Watch Program with the use of Project Lifesaver so that if an at risk child or adult wanders away from their safe environment, the police have the information on file to quickly respond and attempt to locate the missing person.

Project Lifesaver is a 501(c)(3) community based, public safety, non-profit organization that provides emergency responders and caregivers with the equipment and training required to protect and, when necessary, quickly locate individuals with cognitive conditions that cause the propensity to wander, such as those with Alzheimer's or autism.

Through the use of state

of the art radio frequency technology, innovative search and rescue techniques, and accredited first response training, Project Lifesaver member agencies have, to date, successfully located more than 3,600 special needs individuals during an episode of elopement; the average recovery times for these rescues are less than 30 minutes, which is 95 percent less time than standard operations. Additional information about Project Lifesaver can be found at www.projectlifesaver.org.

The Safe Watch Program encourages residents to contact the Tewksbury Police if they have a family member who has a propensity to wander, suffers from disabilities or you feel is at high risk and that the information would be

helpful to responding officers. This will enable them to quickly push out the information to all officers with one click of a button in the event that someone has gone missing.

In addition to wandering, they also want to be able to better serve their residents with disabilities. By having the information before responding to a call, officers will be better prepared to deal with any situation that may arise.

Those who meet the criteria will be provided with a Project Lifesaver GPS bracelet which will be able to be tracked by trained officers in the event the individual goes missing.

If you have someone you would like to have in the Safe Watch Program, please fill out the Me-

dical Alert Form on their website and drop it off at the Police Station. You can also email the form with a photo to tewks_detectives@tewksbury-ma.gov. Each person will be entered in to the Safe Watch Program database; a review by their TPD Clinician will determine the suitability for the Project Lifesaver Program.

If you have any questions, please call Family Services Officer Kimberly O'Keefe at 978-851-7373 ext. 240.

The Tewksbury Police Department urges any citizens who suspect criminal activity to call the Dispatch Center at 978-851-7373. If you wish to remain anonymous please call the Tip Line at 978-851-0175 or send an email to tewks_detectives@tewksbury-ma.gov.

WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY Executive Director

The Wilmington Housing Authority seeks an experienced housing professional to direct a part time office. The position is 26 hours per week, benefits available. The WHA manages a total of 85 units of State family and elderly/handicapped housing (69 Chapter 667 units and 13 units of Chapter 705). The WHA manages 11 Housing Choice Voucher Program units. The position requires two years of experience in a housing, community development, public administration or a closely related field. Knowledge of the principles and practices of housing management, finances and maintenance systems in public or private housing. Written and verbal communication skills required. Willingness to work with people of various socio-economic backgrounds. Must be bondable. Certification as a Public Housing Manager from a HUD approved organization desired and may be substituted by certification as a property manager or similar classification by nationally recognized housing or real estate organization or a certification as a PMHA of a DHCD-approved Massachusetts Public Housing Administrator Certification Program. Two-year full time post-secondary education in a related field may substitute for one year of experience. Position is open until filled and salary is based on experience and education and DHCD salary requirements.

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Rep. Robertson, Legislature vote to increase local aid to schools

BOSTON — Closing out several weeks of negotiation between House and Senate educational experts, the state legislature passed sweeping legislation that would bring Tewksbury and Wilmington hundreds of thousands of dollars per year in local school assistance.

The landmark Student Opportunities Act, while focusing on many financially-strapped districts, boosts aid across all cities and towns with emphasis on special needs programming, transportation costs, employee health-care cost mitigation, and general educational assistance. Early estimates place the increase seen to the Tewksbury and Wilmington school districts by several hundred thousand dollars a year, potentially returning millions in state aid to both towns in immediate coming budget years.

"This bill is a win across the board. It uses no new taxes or revenue streams, helps mitigate rising local property taxes as school budgets are one of the largest and most critical

town budget categories, and educates children of all capabilities to become independent and productive adults," said Representative David Robertson upon passage of the bill. "Everyone wants to see children succeed, and this legislation stands by the commitment I gave to support strong, local schools that provides lifelong benefits for everyone. I myself was a product of public education from pre-school through college, and I remember the importance it had on me. The world looks to Massachusetts and the Greater Boston area because of our education and workforce talent, it's why we're historically at the top of the national education rankings, they choose to invest here because a well-educated child grows up to become a hard-working, efficient, and creative adult."

In addition to adjusting outdated formulas to better reflect modern costs of student transportation, special needs support, and charter school costs the legislation also included critical changes to more

closely reflect the actual estimated numbers of student subcategories. After consultation with Department of Education officials and school administrators, the legislature assumed a greatly increased number of students enrolled in special needs programs and English-learning classes, something previously understated.

Additional components of the legislation also focused on increased school accountability, having districts develop publicly available plans laying goals and shortfalls of each town.

The bill finally laid out future plans requiring the foundation budget review committee, charged with developing and refining reimbursement formulas, to meet every 10 years for review of successes and failures to continuously evolve state aid. The Massachusetts School Building Authority, which works with districts to build efficient and proven schools for all ages, also received a capital increase of \$200 million dollars for future school projects and renovations.

The bill now awaits the Governor's signature for approval.

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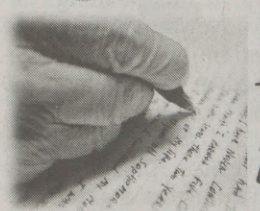
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OPINION



Letters to the editor

The state shouldn't be playing 'guess who' on the roads

(Eds. note: The following is an Op/Ed from State Rep. David Robertson who represents both Wilmington and Tewksbury)

Validation by incrementalism. Creating Americans with an asterisk. This is where many are trying to push the Commonwealth to go, as advocates for driver's licenses for illegal aliens know full well that the deeper we go into this state bureaucracy, the less defined things will become. This is the Bay State Rabbit Hole, and to me it has no end or bottom.

Anyone who is following H. 3012 & S. 2061 knows that Massachusetts' two-tiered license system is not only a fast track to reward those who cut the proverbial line to get into our country — but it also works to create unconfirmed pseudo-citizens with a caveat, and has left me and many with explanations no better than a shrug when we ask "how will this work?"

As I wrote in a letter to the committee opposing these measures during the bills hearing, I unfortunately was a victim of identity theft despite taking serious safety precautions online with my personal information. I am not sure how my information was gleamed, but after awhile several hundred dollars in false charges hit my bill, ordered out of Arizona.

After clearing it up with my credit card company I now keep careful watch on my statements as my information, available to criminals, is at risk for being co-opted by someone for potentially nefarious purposes.

Now let's take the RMV, overwhelmed and overworked already tracking the domestic violations reported to them, and imagine that they will need to play role of international detective in validating paperwork from foreign nations. Compound this with many of the territories they would be dealing with have impartial or poorly managed record systems of their own, all in foreign languages and organized by foreign laws.

It would be a bureaucrat-

ic quagmire at best, a unicorn-hunt at worst. On the other hand, it is easy for organized criminals to take information, such as my own that was stolen, and apply it to fake documents that fool even the best of detectives. On a federal level the Department of Homeland Security acts as a check validating international information with an immigrant or visa-holder, directly in communication with the immigrants original country, but how Massachusetts will verify such information is accurate is a worry of mine and many.

The federal government employs tens of thousands of trained workers in this skillset, what will Massachusetts do to fill this gap? Will we have our own state state department?

I also want to note that supporters of these two bills admit that these possible licensees cannot attain the new Real ID license that requires proof of citizenship. Real ID or not, however, a driver's license is your key of entry to many legal doors. I am uncomfortable with what this ID may become, because to me and many, if you have a valid Massachusetts driver's license that is you.

We have a system of immigration; no one will deny it needs to be updated — but State Legislators should never be in the practice of throwing out the baby with the bathwater; and this RMV end-run is exactly that.

As I have called for since the beginning, the federal government needs to fix this man-made crisis by following the bipartisan commission's recommendation. From hiring more agents to process visas for seasonal workers, alleviate legal immigration application backlogs, and overhaul security screenings their hard work lays out a plan to solve the crisis once and for all, if followed.

The state's primary focus should be welcoming and integrating those who took the very long, and very expensive, path to call themselves our neighbors the right way.

By PAUL J. ANDREWS

While we are just wrapping up Thanksgiving Day and talking locally about the *Town Crier* football team results, we need to congratulate all coaches, players, band members, cheerleaders, referees and fans for enduring just some miserable weather to watch the 2019 edition of Thanksgiving games.

Winchester's Mike Lynch, just a perfect guy to me, always makes my day, when he sits in that huge lounge chair changing jerseys with those special teams he wants to highlight. For those not at the games, it was cold and rainy but the concentration was on the plays and for many a chance to talk to a classmate he or she hasn't seen sense the last game.

Depending where you were or the team of your choice, you left the gate for dinner with stories that will add to the great legacy of these games and some stories or jokes you heard along with the fact you are part of a local football legacy.

College — yes or no

First, I will give some of the current thoughts from the *Washington Post* and then I will add some of my own feelings about this topic. First, some background in that many researchers have looked at the benefits of what we call an academic education as opposed to a voca-

tional education at the secondary school level. This has been going on for as long as I have been in the administration field of education in the 70's.

The answer is possibly somewhere in between the two as both have their great stories to tell and students to exemplify the success of a strong academic education as well as a strong vocational education.

Now we go a step further, as the *Washington Post* has come out with a study out of Georgetown University, trying to answer the question "is college worth it." Researchers at the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce tried recently to answer that question, said the *Post*, using newly released federal data to try to calculate return on investment for thousands of colleges across the country.

The results (searchable and sortable online) were released. The *Washington Post* also commented that some may discount the idea that the true value of higher education can't be qualified, let alone calculated in dollars. I totally agree with this statement for many reasons.

The *Post* stated that "given surging student loans nationally, the study's authors argue it's a question that cannot be ignored, as the issue has galvanized national attention with many legislators loath to fund universities that aren't preparing

young people for the workforce and it's an issue deeply personal for many families as they worry about paying tuition bills each year."

The research from the study will come of no surprise to many with the top 10 colleges with the best long-term net economic gain included Harvard, MIT and Stanford. The study states that "40 years after enrollment, bachelor's degrees from private colleges have the highest returns on investment." Another interesting component was that from this study "the top three on the top of the 10 list, eclipsing MIT and Stanford, are schools specializing in pharmacy and the health sciences."

Let me add that at least two Merchant Marine Academies were also listed in the top quarter of the list.

We will revisit this study next week but thought you might find these points interesting; however, let me add that the well-rounded education one receives in our local colleges does so much to prepare one for specialized training, sometimes before but especially following graduation.

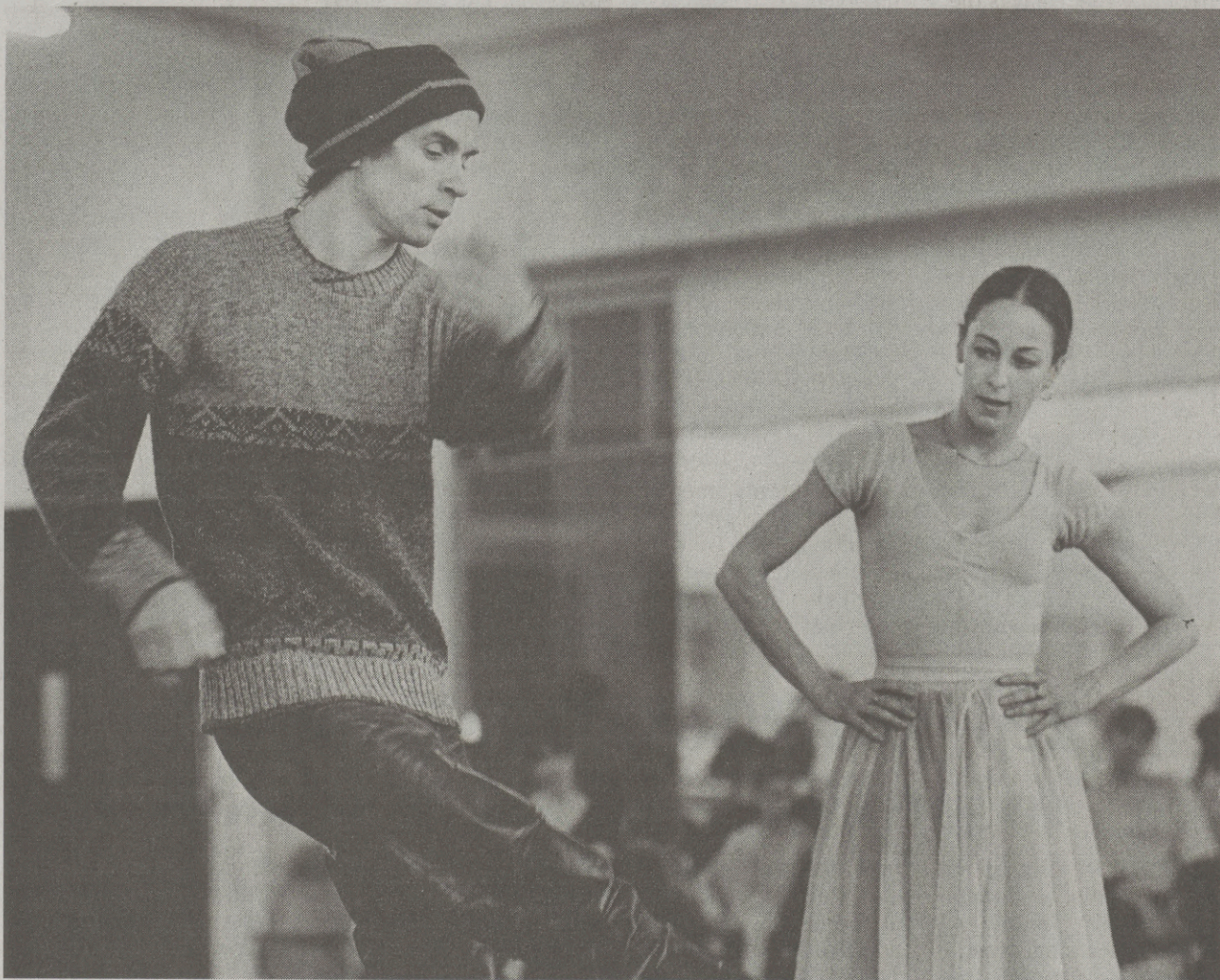
SOME THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

AC Moore's closing hits many local folks who found so many items at the Woburn location. WBZ's Weather Chief Eric Fisher commented

that he was predicting 45-55 inches of snow this winter from an analysis he has made. I really like him and hope he missed some calculations, but as I am writing this, the snow has begun to fall to start his calculations.

Some of the latest Morning Pulse reports I know you enjoy include the following: New York City officials are cracking down on vending machines that sell prepared foods; we have an internet shakeup with a private equity firm buying all of the .org domains; an academic wrecking ball aims at Hedge Funds; nearly half of American workers have tapped into their retirement early; women are overly reliant on Social Security, according to a recent survey; seniors declaring bankruptcy at an alarming rate; cancer sends many patients into bankruptcy; EU to invest \$3.9b in tech start-ups; cyberattack potential puts pressure on record keepers; if Alaska is serious about keeping good teachers, it should return to defined-benefit retirement; New Jersey judges want a say in how their pension dollars are invested; persons of working age now 69.7 percent of population; average US price of gas drops three cents per gallon to \$2.66 and holiday shopping started in July this year, thanks to Amazon.

THANKS FOR YOUR COMMENTS and feel free to e-mail me at andrews@massupt.org



▲ Laura Young and Rudolph Nureyev at rehearsal (Courtesy photo)

Book Stew makes you feel like dancing

Over the years, so many of us have enjoyed watching "The Nutcracker Suite" ballet on stage and on television. The December Book Stew guest WAS The Sugar Plum Fairy and The Dew Drop Fairy!

She is the amazing Laura Young, one of the founding members of Boston Ballet, and the author of *Boston Ballerina*. Join host Eileen MacDougall for Part 1 of two episodes featuring this elegant dancer and teacher, who recalls her early days in the company when she and the other dancers, and their families, sewed costumes and built sets to

support the new Boston enterprise, based in the Combat Zone.

Please check out the new Book Stew episode on WCTV on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Friday at 7 PM, and Saturdays at noon. Also available on demand:

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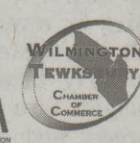
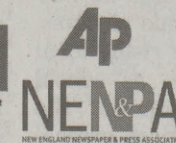
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OBITUARIES

James W. 'Jim' Boudreau, Sr.

Served in the Air Force during Korean War

James W. "Jim" Boudreau, Sr., age 88, a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away peacefully at the Lowell General Hospital on Nov. 27, 2019.

Jim was born in Malden on Jan. 5, 1931; he was the dear son of Ulysses and Catherine Boudreau.

Jim was raised and educated in Malden and was a graduate of Malden High School. Jim was always proud of his country even as a young boy; while in high school he was very involved in the Navy Cadet Program and following graduation he went on to enlist in the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict.

Jim was an Airplane Mechanic for the Air Force; he earned a rank of a Staff Sergeant and was honorably discharged in April of 1956 and returned home to his family.

Jim married his "sweet-heart" Fern Marie Cray on June 10, 1961; the couple shared more than 52 years together before her passing in August of 2013. Jim and Fern moved to Wilmington in 1966 where they raised three sons: Jamie, George and Todd.

Jim enjoyed spending time with "his boys" and was so proud of them; he was very involved in their sports especially Wilmington Youth Hockey where

he donated his time and talents to help all the kids and the program.

Jim loved to take his family camping all over New England throughout the years; everyone always had a great time.

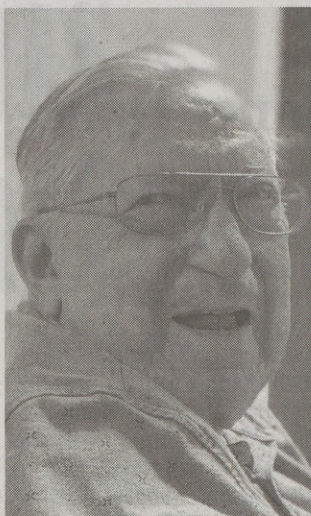
Jim worked hard to provide for his family; he was self-employed as an electrician before a stroke disabled him at an early age. Jim fought hard to get back on his feet along with the help of his family and together they made the best of their new circumstances and had a many great times together throughout the years.

Jim and Fern retired to the "sun and fun" of Valrico, Florida where they made many good friends and had some great times through the years.

Jim was a great storyteller and could keep a captive audience with his great stories and knowledge of current events. Jim was also known for his "sweet tooth" and enjoyed all kinds of desserts.

Jim will be fondly remembered as a "great guy" and a wonderful family man; he faced life's challenges with perseverance and never gave up; a true inspiration with a positive attitude to carry him through. Jim will be forever missed by all who knew and loved him.

Jim was the beloved husband of the late Fern M. (Cray) Boudreau, devoted



father of Jamie Boudreau & his companion Lisa Johnson of Tewksbury, George Boudreau & his wife Joanne of Round Rock, TX and Todd Boudreau & his wife Rana of Wilmington.

Loving "Gramps" of Lindsey, Jennifer, Phillip, Gregory, Hunter and Charlie Boudreau. Cherished son of the late Ulysses and Catherine (Pothier) Boudreau, dear brother of Robert Boudreau of Malden.

Family and friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington, on Wednesday, Dec. 4 for Visitation from 3 - 7 p.m. which will conclude with Military Honors.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Jim's memory may be made to the Blaire House, 10 Erlin Terrace, Tewksbury, MA 01876.

www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Michael Fowler and Victoria Schille nominated for Rotary Club Hats Off award

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Rotary Club nominates Michael Fowler and Victoria Schille for its November 2019 Hats Off Award.

Education Highlights:

- Recipient of numerous Renaissance Gold Card Awards for academic excellence
- GPA: 4.01 out of 4.5
- Member of the National Honor Society

Extra-Curricular Activities:

- Co-Founder of the Ping-Pong Club
- Member of SADD
- Member of Club Soccer
- Participant in Experiential Learning — Study abroad coursework

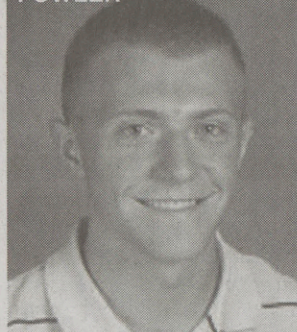
Athletic Activities:

- Captain of boys tennis team
- Member of boys soccer team
- Organizer of recreational indoor soccer team

Community Service:

- Volunteer tutor
- Volunteer for Billerica Senior Center — Christmas gift delivery
- Volunteer for Bambino Buddy Baseball
- Volunteer for public youth tennis clinic
- Volunteer for Lazarus House Ministries — Thanksgiving food delivery
- Volunteer for Tewksbury Girls Basketball League
- Volunteer for Westfield State Walk for Suicide Prevention
- Volunteer for Tewks-

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bury Public Schools spelling bee and field days

Work Experience:

- Cashier at Push Cart Cafe
- Certified referee for Middlesex Youth Soccer

Other:

When I was younger, I had seen a series of movies named *Back to the Future*. One aspect and joke of the second movie was that the Cubs were going to win the World Series in 2015 after Marty McFly goes to the future and sees the holographic announcement.

As a huge fan of the series, I wanted that to happen for both the Cubs and the movie. That year, I followed the team the whole season up to where they lost in the NLCS. But that didn't stop my love for the team.

As the next season began I found myself still following the team who

won the World Series the succeeding year. After their victory, my family and I flew to Chicago to see them raise their historic banner. Thanks to *Back to the Future*, my family and I are now lifelong Cubs fans (and of course, are still big Red Sox fans)!

Nominating faculty member Early states that Mike took the lead in fundraising for the Italy trip by setting up a dine out for cause at the Ninety Nine Restaurant and also fundraisers at Main Street Pizza and a local butcher shop. At the Applefest fair Mike was not just helping the soccer boosters, he was also helping the Class of 2020 and JCL.

Mike demonstrates great leadership on the soccer team. The trip to Italy and Canada will be his 4th and 5th school trip. He has also tutored students in Spanish during his skills and strategies class in his sophomore year.

Nominating faculty member Dudley states that Michael is someone you can count on. This past month at Applefest fair and with fundraising for the Italy trip, he has been instrumental. He doesn't just put in a couple of hours and goes home. He really participates and he is a role model for others.

Education Highlights:

- Maintained Principal's List throughout all four years
- Rank: Top five percent of the Class of 2020
- GPA: 4.4
- Enrolled in three AP courses
- Achieved a score of 5 for AP Psychology exam, 5 for AP Stats and 4 for AP Chem
- Combined SAT score of 1530

Extra-Curricular Activities:

- Treasurer of TMHS DECA
- Coordinator for the 2019 Meghan McCarthy Fashion Show
- Class President for the Class of 2020
- Member of the National Honor Society
- Member of Peer Leadership

Athletic Activities:

- Captain of field hockey team and three-year varsity member
- Girls ice hockey team

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four-year varsity member

- 2018 D1 State Finalist in girls ice hockey
- 2019 D1 State Champion in girls ice hockey

Special Achievements:

- DECA International Career Development Conference qualifier 2019
- 1st place at DECA State Conference 2019
- Harvard Book Award recipient 2019

Community Service:

- Volunteer for Summer Bible Camp
- Volunteer for Project Home Again
- Volunteer for Learn to

Skate program

Work Experience:

- Grocery clerk at Market Basket from 2016 to present
- Tewksbury Summer Extended Day from 2016 to 2019

Nominating faculty member Boudreau-Hill states that Tori is a hardworking, dedicated student, driven to succeed. She gives 100 percent to her classes, her clubs, and her team. She is surely someone that deserves TMHS recognition as she rises to every expectation.

Nominating faculty member Mahoney states that Tori goes above and beyond in all of her academics and activities. She is always helpful no matter the task. Tori has been an outstanding class president for four years.

John E. Gottlander

Former hockey goalie at Wilmington High

John E. Gottlander, age 49, a life-long resident of Wilmington passed away unexpectedly on Dec. 1, 2019.

John was born on Jan. 7, 1970, in Lowell. He was the beloved son of John and Elaine (Sullivan) Gottlander. He is survived by his sister, Kris Gentile and her husband Antonio of East Bridgewater.

He was the loving uncle to Nicolas, Makayla and Madison Gentile. John is survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

John was educated and graduated from Wilmington High School where he played goalie for the school hockey team.

John worked as a heavy equipment operator. In his spare time John enjoyed spending time with the family, riding his motorcycle, working on cars, boating, fishing, hanging

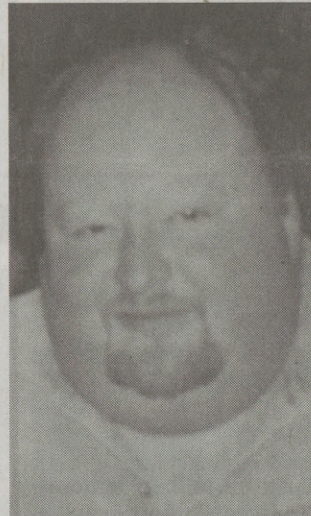
out with friends and watching his favorite sports team, the New England Patriots.

John was an "awesome" uncle; a big teddy bear who loved to "horse play" with his nephew and nieces.

John will be fondly remembered as a wonderful son, brother, uncle and true friend to many. He had a great sense of humor and a smile that was infectious. John's sudden passing has left a huge void in many lives but he will forever be remembered and loved by all.

Visiting hours will be held at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Street (Rt. 62), Wilmington on Thursday, Dec. 5 from 4 - 7 p.m.

Family and friends will gather for John's Funeral Service at Nichols Funeral Home on Friday, Dec. 6



at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Wildwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in John's memory may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

www.nicholsfuneralhome.com

Mary A. Rossi

Worked at Bickford's in Burlington

Mary A. Rossi, of Wilmington formerly of Burlington and Lowell, passed away peacefully, Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019. She was 62 years of age.

Born in Boston she was the daughter of the late Richard J. and Anna V (D'Amico) Rossi.

Mary was raised in Wilmington and attended Wilmington schools. Most recently she lived in Lowell and for many years was a resident of Burlington where she worked at Bickford's for a number of years.

Mary will fondly be remembered for strong will and being fiercely independent in her adult life. She had the wonderful ability to make people laugh when least expected. Mary also loved arts and crafts and was passionate about volunteering, helping and teaching others with different projects.

She loved celebrating the different holidays and was a true animal lover, especially her pet cat "Muffy." She will be greatly missed.

Mary is survived by her sisters Linda Rossi-Wright of San Pedro, CA and her

former husband Kenneth Wright, Rhonda Rossi-Ingram and her husband Danny of Derry, NH.

She was the aunt of Matthew and Madeline Wright both of San Pedro, CA, Ryan and Kelsey Ingram both of Derry, NH. She is also survived by her cousin Marilyn Penta and her husband Robert of Saugus, stepmother Bea Rossi of Saugus, cousin Liz Agnes and her father John Agnes of Everett who were all wonderful caretakers to Mary throughout her life.

She is further survived by her dear friend Jim, caretakers Gail Bartlett of DDS, Joe Castellano of the Edinburg Center of Bedford, and many more loving friends and caretakers who helped Mary over the years.

Funeral services for Mary were held from the Dello Russo Family Funeral Home 374 Main St., Wilmington, Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 12:30 p.m. followed by a funeral Mass celebrated in St. Thomas Church, 126 Middlesex Ave, Wilmington at 1 p.m. Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend and may visit with the family at the



Dello Russo Funeral Home prior to the Mass from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Services concluded with burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

It has been requested that in lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Mary's memory to the Edinburg Center 205 Burlington Rd., Bedford, MA 01730 or the Cooperative For Human Services, 420 Bedford St., Lexington, MA 02420 or the Lowell Humane Society, 951 Broadway St., Lowell, MA 01854

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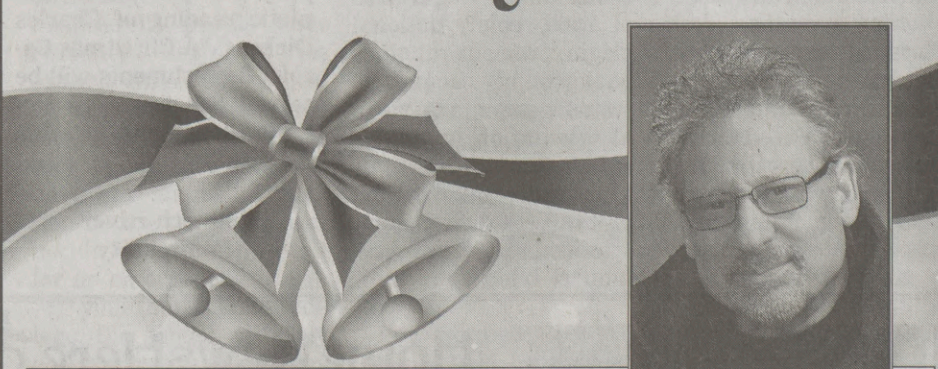
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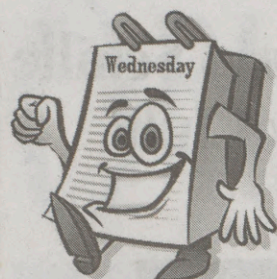
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Wilmington Calendar:

Wilmington Sons of Italy Christmas Dinner Dance

Ipswich River Community Chorus Concert

Saturday, Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8 at 4 p.m.

Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 235 Park Street in North Reading

Save the date for the upcoming holiday show of the Ipswich River Community Chorus "There's No Business Like Snow Business." Their prestigious director, Johnny Nichols Jr., has prepared a show stopping arrangement of songs and melodies from familiar movies and musicals that you've heard throughout the years including "White Christmas," "The Grinch," "Home Alone," "The Nutcracker," "Amahl and the Night Visitors," and many more. You'll surely recognize old time favorites such as "Hallelujah," "Silver Bells," "Peace on

Earth," and "I'll Be Home for Christmas." They'll also get you swaying in your seats to "Spirit of the Season," "Welcome Christmas," and "Christmas Time is Here." For tickets, email: IpswichRiverCommunityChorus@gmail.com or call Beth at 978-664-3275. General admission is \$20. Senior tickets are \$15 and children's tickets are free.

Blood Drive

Saturday, Dec. 28 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Bloodmobile parked at the Fourth of July Building, 142 Middlesex Ave.

Please join the Wilmington Sons of Italy in conjunction with Boston Children's Hospital for a Blood Drive on Saturday, Dec. 28 at the hospital's Bloodmobile, which will be parked at the Fourth of July Building. This blood drive is dedicated to Ju-

lian Sbraccia. To make an appointment, please log on to halfpints.childrenshospital.org and use sponsor code JULIAN. For more information, contact Julie Sbraccia-Manos at 978-284-3260.

Wilmington Sons of Italy Christmas Dinner Dance

Saturday, Dec. 28
Elks Hall, 777 South St. in Tewksbury

The Wilmington Sons of Italy is sponsoring a gala Christmas-time dinner dance on Saturday, Dec. 28. The features cocktails at 6 p.m. followed by a catered surf and turf dinner prepared by Mr. Jack's of Billerica served family style at 7 p.m. The menu includes cheese and crackers, chicken soup, salad, cheese ravioli in marinara sauce, baked stuffed had-dock, roast beef of sirloin, oven roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls

and butter, and coffee. Vanilla ice cream with strawberries and Italian cookies from Mirabella's Bakery will be on each table. The cost is \$60 per person and includes dinner musical entertainment by Street Magic Acappella. After dinner will be surprises and dancing to the musical stylings of Lori and Bill McLaughlin. For tickets, call Michele at 978-658-8284.

Knights of Columbus Cribbage

Mondays through March 2020 from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Wilmington Knights of Columbus, 112 Middlesex Ave.

The Wilmington Knights of Columbus is hosting Cribbage games every Monday night through the end of March 2020. The games are open to the general public (over 21) and begin promptly at 7 p.m.

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and generally finish up around 9 pm. All skill levels are welcome. There is a small entrance fee and cash prizes are awarded every week. The club has wide screen TVs so that you can keep track of your favorite teams. A cash bar is available for those who would like refreshment. The building is located behind St. Thomas church and can be reached by the small access road behind the church parking lot. Access to the building is through the entrance at the rear of the parking lot. If you have any questions, please call Bob at 978-851-4985. If he does not answer the phone, please leave a message and he will get back to you.

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Alateen

The first and third Thursday of each month

St Williams Church (middle brick building), 1351 Main St. in Tewksbury

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Safety seat installation

Every Wednesday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Public Safety Building, 1 Adelaide Street

The Wilmington Police Department offers safety seat installs at the Wilmington Public Safety Building (1 Adelaide St.) every Wednesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. No appointment is necessary but calling ahead at 978-658-5071 is recommended.



Learning about watercolor techniques

Water color artist Valerie Borgal, right, with artist and Art Center Board of Director Ruth Camber demonstrating to budding artists how to work with watercolors. (photo: Bruce Hilliard.com)

Tewksbury Congregational Church hosts annual Pie Social and Christmas Fair

TEWKSBURY — Tewksbury Congregational Church is gearing up for their annual pie social and Christmas fair on Dec. 6 and 7. In conjunction with the Tewksbury town common tree lighting ceremony, the church welcomes the public to enjoy some homemade pie, brownies, coffee, hot chocolate and more from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6. Admission is only \$4 per person.

Also on Friday at 7 p.m., Santa will be available for free photos and all are invited to preview the Christmas fair tables. The Christmas fair will reopen on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with decorated and made-to-order wreaths, fresh Christmas arrangements, homemade baked goods, jams, and candies, as well as gently used Christmas items, toys and jewelry, woodworking, pampered pet items, and

crafters tables, breakfast and lunch.

The church is located at 10 East St., Tewksbury (across from the Town Common), please visit their website at www.tewksburycc.org.

About the Tewksbury Congregational Church
Tewksbury Congregational Church, a member of one of the largest Protestant denominations in New England, is located across from the Town Common, and was established in 1735.

Tewksbury Congregational Church welcomes all people desiring to lead their lives according to the teachings of Jesus Christ, regardless of race, color, national origin, previous religious background, economic status, gender, age, sexual orientation, or physical challenges.

For more information, visit www.tewksburycc.org.

Tewksbury Calendar:

Tree lighting and Festival of Trees this weekend

Tewksbury Common Tree Lighting

Friday, Dec. 6 at 6 p.m.
Tewksbury Town Common
Come and see the annual tree lighting in the town common.

Tewksbury Public Library Festival of Trees Gala

Saturday, Dec. 7 from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Tewksbury Public Library

Join the library for a fun evening of music and drama. Jeannie Mack will perform an interactive musical concert for children and families. Then the Delvena Theatre Company will perform a dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." Refreshments will be served. See over forty decorated trees and wreaths for free.

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St. William's 2019 Christmas Fair

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St. William's Church, 1351 Main St.

The fair includes raffles, a snack bar, greens, and Santa's Workshop. For more information, visit Stwilliamsfair.com.

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Lifestyle

Enjoy the holidays at the Hyannis Art Shanties

By **HEATHER BURNS**
News Correspondent

Imagine the fun and excitement of literary favorites Hansel and Gretel as they came upon a beautiful, lifesize gingerbread house in the woods.

Now you and your family can enjoy a similar experience this holiday season at the Hyannis Art Shanties. The Shanties are candy-colored, tiny houses that dot the boardwalk of the Hyannis Harbor Overlook, located at 51 Ocean St. in Hyannis.

Built in 2005, The Hyannis HyArt Shanties and boardwalk was created by the Town of Barnstable to

serve as affordable studio and gallery space for local artists and artisans.

In its first season, 11 artists participated in this program. Now part of the Hyannis HyArts Cultural District, currently over 95 artists participate in this unique program.

Shanty open season is typically spring through mid-fall, but in late November the summer shanties are re-opened when they magically transform into deliciously whimsical gingerbread houses to create "Gingerbread Lane at Harbor Overlook."

This holiday market is filled with regional artists and artisans as well as seasonal treats, but like the holiday season itself,

is only here for a limited time. The market will be open starting on Nov. 29 and 30.

Then, on Dec. 7, Gingerbread Lane, in conjunction with The Downtown Hyannis Main Street Holiday Stroll, celebrates an all day family fun event.

On Saturday, Dec. 7, start the celebration off with Breakfast with Santa at the British Beer Company, located at 412 Main St. in Hyannis. Tickets are \$10 and include a full breakfast menu, a visit with Santa, and entertainment by the Cape Cod Carolers. There will be a 9 a.m. seating and 10:30 a.m. seating. Tickets are available at Hyannis.com or the Hyannis Chamber of Commerce.

After breakfast, take a stroll down Main Street where many family fun activities will be happening from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vote for your favorite cookie at the annual Cookie Stroll Contest, or take part in the Reindeer Roundup scavenger hunt to find all of Santa's hidden reindeer. Shop to the sounds of carolers and various musicians playing throughout Main Street.

Be sure to keep an eye out for Santa as he makes his way down Main Street in an antique fire truck!



Even Santa is getting gift ideas at the Hyannis Art Shanties

From noon to 6 p.m., shop for beautifully handmade items and artwork at the Holiday Artist Market on "Gingerbread Lane." Each brightly decorated "gingerbread" shanty houses a different type of local art. There will also be free children's craft projects on hand to make while listening to holiday carolers. Food and beverages will also be available to purchase at the market.

After shopping, stroll over to nearby Hyannis Harbor from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for the Hyannis Harbor Boat Parade. Wait for ar-

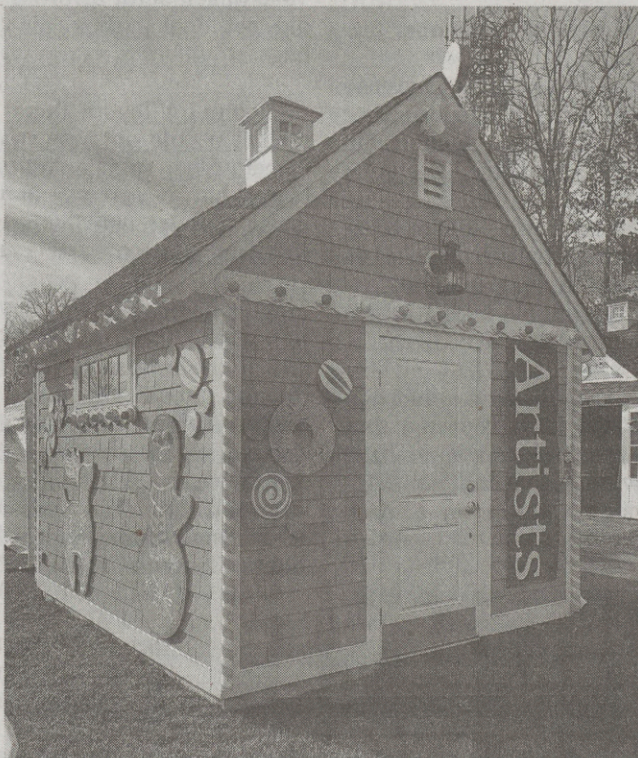
rival of Santa while sampling chowder, hot chocolate, coffee and cookies. There will also be live music and children's activities to participate in while you wait for the Boat Parade to begin.

The Boat procession starts at about 4:45 p.m., when decorated boats light the way for the arrival of Santa on a Police boat. At 5 p.m., Santa's boat will dock, and he will proceed to his special North Pole Shanty to meet and greet children of all ages.

There is plenty of free parking available at the

Town Hall Parking Lot on Main Street and South Street. Also on South Street is the Red Cross Parking Lot, and two hour street parking is available on Main Street.

Christmas is right around the corner. Why not skip the generic gifts from the mall this year and instead try hand made, one of a kind items. They might just be the perfect gifts to check off your list. Enjoy a day of holiday, family fun and support members of the Cape Cod art community by taking a sweet stroll down Gingerbread Lane.



▲▶ A peek inside the colorful shanties
(Heather Burns photos)



Is your child turning 18? Here's what you need to know

By **PAIGE IMPINK**
News Correspondent
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As you think about the teens in your life and consider those who are about to, or have recently turned 18, parents and guardians may acknowledge the milestone with a hearty "now you're an adult" declaration. However, there are numerous things that go along with turning 18 that may elude even the most diligent among us as their child hits that mark.

Your child may graduate from high school, obtain a first car, head off to college or embark on a full-time job or vocational training program. And while these are still our children, in the eyes of the law, they are adults. As such, our "rights" to protect them or make decisions for them immediately becomes quite limited.

Parents may be surprised to learn that with-

out some specific documents in place, they will no longer be able to obtain information or help their loved one should they be in an accident or other situation where they can't advocate for themselves.

Some people have attorneys draft these documents, but generic forms are sufficient and readily available for free online. Read them and be sure you are comfortable with the wording. Here is a list of documents to consider and discuss with your young adult.

HIPAA Authorization: Perhaps your 18 year old is working in another state or will be attending college and needs medical records or assistance making appointments. Ask them to go to the doctor's and dentist's office and sign forms that designate agents to act on their behalf. Due to HIPAA laws,

information cannot be released without their consent. This is not to be nosy; this is to get information to help if ever needed to assist your child.

This release can also empower your child's doctor to speak with care providers in other locations should their assistance be necessary. A college or university may additionally have forms as part of their health centers.

Healthcare Proxy: A generic healthcare proxy, or healthcare power of attorney, is the essential document to execute if you consider no other. Massachusetts does not require a healthcare proxy to be notarized, but if your child is moving to another state, check what is required, as a state-specific form may be necessary.

It is recommended to have your 18-year old fill out the proxy, make a copy,

put a copy on each parent or guardian's phone, and put a copy on your child's phone. This is for an emergency, such as when the child cannot speak for his or herself.

Numerous people have recounted horror stories of their child being whisked to an emergency room for some type of issue, only to not be allowed to have any status information because a proxy was not in place. Don't wait for an emergency.

If your child is at college, the school will only call you as the emergency contact, but the proxy is between you and the hospital. Mental health issues are also part of this category. Again, this is not to track your child getting a cough drop from the infirmary, rather this is to allow you to participate in life and death decisions should your child not be able to advocate for them-

selves.

Durable Power of Attorney: A generic durable power of attorney, or financial power of attorney, must also be initiated by the 18-year old, naming parents, guardians, or others as agents authorized to act on their behalf. This gives you access to financial information so that you may participate in the financial side of the equation with a university or other entity in the case that your child is unable to.

For example, if a car title is held by the child, and they are incapacitated by an accident or mental illness, the power of attorney would let the parents act on their behalf to make payments or take other action relative to the vehicle. A power of attorney can be changed at any time should the situation warrant it, such as the young adult getting

married or having a significant other who would take on that role.

FERPA: An educational records release which provides for grades, transcripts and such to be shared with parents or designated agents. This access is provided via the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act and is available through a college or university.

For example, a notification of missing documents or other materials could impact scholarship or financial awards if not provided. FERPA also protects the disclosure of a student's educational records to a third party without authorization, but would allow for this information to be shared at the student's discretion.

And lastly, encourage them to register to vote! Voter registration is easy and may be done at Town Hall.



Tewksbury Police Log

Boston man arrested on several warrants

Monday, November 25

9:50 a.m. - Caller at Shawsheen Street reported his neighbor's landscaping was blowing leaves onto his property. The caller reported he attempted to talk to them but they swore at him. Police sent. They spoke with both parties and resolved the issue.

3:09 p.m. - Call for a suspicious motor vehicle parked on the street with two males sitting in the car at Virginia Road. Police sent. They spoke with the parties; they were new to the neighborhood.

4:07 p.m. - The caller had an argument with her roommate after she woke up to her going through her belongings at Main Street. Police sent. Officer filed a report.

6:06 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a male walked around the complex at Saunders Circle. Male entered another unit. At this time female called 911

back stating male was ringing bells in the complex. Male was spoken and told not to ring bells.

Tuesday, November 26

8:18 a.m. - Loss prevention at Walmart called to report shoplifter Jose Melendez, 35, of 209 Mt. Vernon St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with second offense of shoplifting by asportation and operation of motor vehicle with license suspended.

Wednesday, November 27

7:14 a.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at East Street and Livingston Street. Migdalia Fontanez, 47, of 60 West Sixth St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for assault and battery on a family/ household member.

9:51 a.m. - The caller saw a person driving a silver Toyota drive into a wall at Andover Street at an unknown house and

drove off. The suspicious party then pulled into a different house. Police sent and saw no property damage.

6:57 p.m. - Caller reported an argument at Market Basket North. Police responded but both parties left prior to arrival.

Thursday, November 28

6:14 p.m. - A 911 caller stated that loud noises and white lights were coming from Sciarappa Way. Police sent. All was quiet. Same caller reported fireworks were started as soon as police cleared the area. Police sent again. Officer did another check of the area but claims were unfounded.

8:18 p.m. - A 911 caller reported her daughter took a bottle of the caller's prescriptions at Old Main Street. She wanted to kill herself. Police and ambulance sent. Recent ping from AT&T showed the party was located in

Dracut. The ambulance took her in to the hospital and police filed a report.

8:40 p.m. - While parked at Ahold Plaza, three vehicles were spinning tires in the parking lot. One came close to the caller's vehicle. Police sent. They checked the area but gone on arrival.

Friday, November 29

4:23 a.m. - Front desk at Motel 6 reported a fight in room 140. Police sent. Mark Martorell, 24, of 270 Wilder St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with fugitive from justice.

6:24 a.m. - Manager at Cumberland Farms reported a male party pushed and possibly broke a door after being refused to purchase cigarettes. Police sent. The vehicle was in Motel 6. They sent for assist. Officer filed a report.

10:16 a.m. - Caller reported a shoplifter in custody at Home Depot. Daylon

Burke, 29, of 290 South St. in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation.

6:23 p.m. - An erratic driver drove a white SUV heading north bound at Main Street and Chandler Street. Police sent. They stopped the motor vehicle. He was unfamiliar with the area and tried to locate a funeral home.

Saturday, November 30

1:37 a.m. - Police sent at Dunkin' Donuts for the operator appeared to be asleep. Matthew Lacascia, 24, of 16 Sullivan Park Way at Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor.

6:03 a.m. - Police sent at Motel 6 attempting to serve a warrant. Jeffery Riel, 36, of 745 Westford St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant.

6:56 a.m. - Officers out at Motel 6 to serve a warrant. Patrick Wayne, 33, of 200 Market St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant.

3:26 p.m. - Campus police requested assistance with a patient who assaulted

their employee at Saunders Building State Hospital. Police sent. There was no assault and police filed a report.

5:57 p.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Walmart for expired registration. Carmelo Andujar, 45, of 631 Parker St. in Boston, was arrested and charged with a warrant for breaking and entering in the daytime for felony, a warrant for receiving stolen motor vehicle, a warrant for assault and battery violation of abuse prevention, receiving stolen motor vehicle unlicensed operation, and warrant for violation of abuse prevention order.

7 p.m. - Caller reported a shoplifter at Walmart. Amanda Hamelin, 41, of 77 Vermont Ave. in Dracut, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation.

Sunday, December 1

2:21 a.m. - A 911 caller reported an erratic driver at 7-11. The vehicle just pulled into a 7-11. Police sent. Officer spoke with the party who checked out fine. He had just gotten out of work and was tired.



Wilmington Police Log

Driver taken by Medflight after crash on I-93

Monday, November 25:

5:14 a.m.: A vehicle crashed into a tree on I-93. The driver was injured and a Medflight was almost called in before an ambulance took the patient to Lahey.

8:05 a.m.: The Water Department was called to Jacquith Road due to a water main break.

9:34 a.m.: A Honda CR-V was struck in a hit and run by a Honda Accord on Main Street. Police located the Accord at its owner's residence and summonsed her for leaving the scene of property damage.

9:32 p.m.: Ramp 38 was temporarily closed off after a vehicle drove through the guard rail alongside it.

Tuesday, November 26:

9:44 a.m.: Police notified Verizon of a pole on the ground by Rite Aid on Main Street that was disconnected from a wire.

2:05 p.m.: Animal Control took an injured opossum found by a building on Main Street to an animal hospital in Chelmsford.

2:45 p.m.: An Audi A3 struck a Chrysler Sebring as it pulled onto Main Street from a parking lot. No one was injured in the collision.

2:57 p.m.: Police spoke to a driver after a minor hit and run at the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and Colonial Drive involving a Cadillac SRX and a Toyota Camry.

5:27 p.m.: A minor motor vehicle collision occurred

on Main Street involving a Ford F-150 and a Mercury Marquis. No one was injured and the damage to the vehicles was minor.

5:45 p.m.: A minor motor vehicle collision involving a Honda Pilot and a Ford F-250 occurred by the High School at the intersection of Church Street and Adams Street.

Wednesday, November 27:

7:26 a.m.: The Fire Department assisted with activated carbon monoxide detectors on Federal Street and Pilling Road.

11:55 a.m.: A Honda CR-V, a Ford Fusion, and a Toyota 4Runner were in a collision in the CVS drive through on Main Street after one of the drivers stepped on the gas pedal instead of the brake.

1:01 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision involving a Cadillac XTS and a Kia Cadenza occurred at the intersection of Church Street and Adams Street. No one was injured in the collision.

1:23 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred at Red Heat Tavern on Lowell Street involving a Subaru WRX and a Forester. No one was injured.

3:13 p.m.: A vehicle's battery started to smoke after a collision between a Subaru Legacy and a Ford Mustang. The battery was removed by the Fire Department. The vehicles were towed from the intersection of Glen Road and Lee Street.

7:59 p.m.: A Honda Civic fell down an embankment adjacent to I-93. Police as-

sisted with traffic until the vehicle could be towed.

Thursday, November 28:

3:19 p.m.: Police received a report of a sick groundhog walking in circles on Oakdale Road. The animal was nowhere to be found when an officer checked.

5:35 p.m.: A Birchwood Road resident reported a possibly rabid groundhog in the street. The animal was gone when police arrived.

Friday, November 29:

11 a.m.: A Pods truck side-swiped a pole by Tremezzo on Shawsheen Avenue and knocked off some metal casing and a fiber optic cable running up the pole. The damage was minor.

Saturday, November 30:

8:14 a.m.: A Christine Drive resident reported her home being egged sometime overnight.

8:42 a.m.: A Pershing Street mailbox was damaged overnight, seemingly by a vehicle taking a turn too widely.

2:25 p.m.: The owner of a BMW 328xi reported that his vehicle was vandalized while parked at the Methodist Church on Church Street.

9:48 p.m.: Police forward-

ed a report of glass in the road on Richmond Street to the Department of Transportation. Several vehicles had already driven over it by the time the report was received.

Sunday, December 1:

11:44 a.m.: Police notified Comcast of a downed wire on Burlington Avenue. The resident who reported the wire initially got it out of the road, but it remained disconnected from the house it went to.

3:50 p.m.: A Fire Department medical vehicle evaluated one patient's neck, back, and shoulder pain after they were in a collision at the intersection of Route 129 and I-93. No medical transport was necessary. The Kia Soul and Volkswagen Jetta involved did not deploy their airbags.

5:50 p.m.: A Toyota Tacoma hit a pole on Woburn Street. The vehicle was towed, but no one was injured and damage to the pole was minor.

6:28 p.m.: A Ford F-350 was struck in a hit and run at the intersection of Roberts Road and Burlington Avenue. The vehicle that left the scene was described as a white pickup truck with front passenger side damage, possibly a Chevrolet 1500.

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BARINELLI, THOMAS.....2020	NGUYEN, MAISAN.....2022	MEHRABANI, ARYA.....2020	MCINTYRE, ERIN.....2021	HO, FIONA.....2022	DEGRECHIE, BROOKLYNN.....2023
BIELECKI, ANDREW.....2020	NGUYEN, NATALIE.....2022	MORRIS, KYLE.....2020	MCKAY, WILLIAM.....2021	JACOBS, RIANNA.....2022	DIAZ-ARCHILLA, GABRIELLA.....2023
BOUCHER, SARA.....2020	PENDOLA, GIANNA.....2022	NGUYEN, CHRISTOPHER.....2020	MELKI, ELIAS.....2021	JOHNSTON, PAUL.....2022	DONOVAN, JACK.....2023
BOUDREAU, ALEX.....2020	PICCOLO, AVA.....2022	ORSULA, ALEX.....2020	MILLER, ELIZABETH.....2021	KELLEY, RACHAEL.....2022	DONOVAN, JACK.....2023
BROWN, COLBY.....2020	PICHER, RACHEL.....2022	ORSULA, ALEX.....2020	MOYNIHAN, CONOR.....2021	KENNEALLY, ELIZABETH.....2022	DOWNING, SARAH.....2023
BUTLER, EMILY.....2020	PINTO, VICTORIA.....2022	PALMISANO, LEXI.....2020	MURPHY, DEREK.....2021	KRZESINSKI, PAIGE.....2022	DUGGAN, MATTHEW.....2023
CAFFERTY, JULIA.....2020	POLIMENO, NICHOLAS.....2022	PATRIARCA, SARA.....2020	MURPHY, KAYLEE.....2021	LEMONS, LUKAS.....2022	FILLMORE, ALEXANDRA.....2023
CAREW, ANGELINA.....2020	SAUNDERS, KASEY.....2022	PENDLETON, LYDIA.....2020	O'NEIL, SHAYNE.....2021	LEON, TAYLOR.....2022	FINNEGAN, CALLIE.....2023
CARNEIRO MONTEIRO, DIEGO.....2020	SCHILLE, ISABELLA.....2022	QUINN, RYAN.....2020	ONEIL, KATE.....2021	MALLACH, SHARON.....2022	FRANKLIN, DANIEL.....2023
CIAMPA, ERIN.....2020	STOVESAND, MADISON.....2022	RASO, ALYSSA.....2020	PAIGE, MAKAYLA.....2021	MARQUES, MATTHEWS.....2022	FRELIX, MADISON.....2023
COKKINOS, LYNDSLEY.....2020	SUTHERLAND, JUSTIN.....2022	ROSE, KATELYN.....2020	PERRON, ARIANA.....2021	MARSDEN, CHRISTIAN.....2022	GALANTE, EDWARD.....2023
CROWLEY, SHANNON.....2020	WENTWORTH, CHRISTINA.....2022	SAVOIA, RIANN.....2020	PIERCE, MADISON.....2021	MCDERMOTT, LIAM.....2022	GOSSE, NIKOLE.....2023
CROWLEY, SYDNEY.....2020	YOUNG, MACKENZIE.....2022	SCARINGI, RACHEL.....2020	POWERS, PATRICK.....2021	MCGLIVERY, KYLA.....2022	HANCOCK, HANNAH.....2023
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Governor Baker signs legislation requiring hands-free devices when driving

BOSTON — Governor Charlie Baker signed legislation to improve road safety in the Commonwealth, which stipulates that no motor vehicle operator may use electronic devices while driving unless the technology is being used hands-free. The legislation, which adopts recommendations from the Commonwealth's Strategic Highway Safety Plan, also sets forth penalties for violating the law and requires that law enforcement officers report data on violations so the information can be shared with the public.

Gov. Baker was joined at the signing ceremony by Lt. Governor Karyn Polito, state leaders, officials with the National Transportation Safety Board, and representatives from advocacy groups, including the Vision Zero Coalition, Safe Roads Alliance, LivableStreets Alliance, WalkBoston, MassBike and Boston Cyclists Union. The Governor acknowledged the work of stakeholders for efforts to get hands-free legislation passed and thanked the families of victims for sharing their personal stories during legislative hearings.

"Our Administration is committed to keeping the Commonwealth's network of roads safe, and this legislation will substantially reduce distracted driving and hold operators accountable when they are looking at an electronic device instead of looking at the road ahead," said Gov. Baker. "We are especially grateful for the many advocates and families that passionately fought to bring this bill to fruition, are thankful for the Legislature's collaboration on this bill and look forward to continued efforts to improve road safety in Massachusetts."

"The Commonwealth and

its communities have a shared obligation to keep roads safe for all users, and the new hands-free law is another important step as we seek to fulfill that responsibility," said Lt. Gov. Polito. "This commonsense legislation makes clear that in order to operate a vehicle safely, individuals must put safe driving first — ahead of reading emails or texting a friend."

Under the new law, titled An Act requiring the hands-free use of mobile telephones while driving, operators of motor vehicles and bicycles cannot use an electronic device unless the device is being used in hands-free mode. Operators cannot read or view text or look at images or video, unless what is being viewed on the device is helping with navigation and the device is mounted in an appropriate location. They also cannot make phone calls unless they are able to do so without holding the phone, utilizing technology such as Bluetooth.

The new law permits the use of electronic devices if they are being used in response to an emergency, necessary for first responders to do their jobs. It also permits use if operators are stationary and not in active lanes of travel.

Punishment for violating the hands-free law includes a \$100 fine for a first offense, \$250 fine for a second offense and \$500 fine for a third or subsequent offense. A third or subsequent offense will count as a surchargeable incident. Operators who commit a second or subsequent offense are required to complete an educational program focused on distracted driving prevention.

"The hands-free legislation is now law in Massachusetts thanks to the tireless work of advocates and victims' families," said

Transportation Secretary and CEO Stephanie Pollack. "Legislators were moved to action after hearing the personal stories of people who have lost loved ones in traffic crashes. Advocacy groups were with the families every step of the way and marshaled support for this bill. I would like to thank the Vision Zero Coalition, Safe Roads Alliance, LivableStreets, WalkBoston and many other pedestrian and bicycle advocacy groups for their efforts and I look forward to continuing our collaboration to get additional road safety bills passed during the next legislative session."

"This important reform shows how seriously we take roadway safety," said Secretary of Public Safety and Security Thomas Turco. "A distracted driver is a dangerous driver. This law will help keep drivers' attention on the road and give law enforcement an additional tool to deter risky behavior."

"As first responders to serious crashes across the state every day, Massachusetts State Troopers know too well the consequences of distracted driving, and we thank the Baker-Polito Administration and the Legislature for this important new tool to help us combat this dangerous behavior," said Colonel and Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police Christopher S. Mason. "Today is a day that will make our roads safer."

"This legislation will protect pedestrians and drivers on our roads by keeping mobile devices out of the hands of those who operate vehicles," said House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo. "Additionally, this legislation establishes a new implicit bias training program for any jurisdiction deemed by an analysis of data to have engaged in

racial or gender profiling."

"There are too many heartbreaking stories of those who lost loved ones to distracted driving, and so I'm proud to see this bill signed into law," said Senate President Karen E. Spilka. "This bill strikes a balance between increased enforcement and increased transparency, requiring more demographic data to be released to the public than ever before so that we can ensure this law is being enforced equitably across the Commonwealth. I'd like to thank Senator Boncore, Senator Brownsberger, and everyone involved for their hard work to get this done."

"This bill will improve the safety of our streets and promote transparency in law enforcement," said Senator Joe Boncore, Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation. "Distracted driving is an epidemic, and this bill will save lives. Further, by updating our data collection laws, we will better understand and improve our communities' interactions with public safety officials."

"The final bill is a major public safety improvement for the residents of Massachusetts," said Representative Bill Straus, Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation. "Distracted driving has caused too many unnecessary tragedies and I am pleased that our state will now join the ranks of other states who have adopted a ban on holding a phone while driving."

Safe Roads Alliance President Emily Stein added,

"It is such a relief to finally see a hands-free bill pass in our Commonwealth. It is a proud, emotional, and hopeful moment, and I ask that all drivers in Massachusetts pause for a moment too, and understand how distracted driving can impact so many precious lives on our roads. I fought for stronger distracted driving laws for my dad, who was killed in 2011, and also for the hundreds of lives that are lost, and the thousands of people who endure lifelong injuries because of something so preventable. This law will save lives."

"We are grateful for the leadership and partnership of the Baker-Polito Administration in moving this life-saving law forward," said Stacy Thompson, LivableStreets Alliance Executive Director. "This is an important step toward achieving Vision Zero in Massachusetts and we look forward to working with the Administration and Legislature to advance several other critical road safety bills in the new year."

Stacey Beuttell, Executive Director of WalkBoston, added, "WalkBoston is pleased that this legislation has been signed; this law will encourage people driving to focus solely on that task, making streets safer for people walking & running in communities across Massachusetts. We're hopeful that this long-awaited signing will kick off a focus on traffic safety for this next legislative session."

"We applaud the Legislature and Gov. Baker's Administration for delivering

this bill to the people of Massachusetts," said Becca Wolfson, Executive Director of Boston Cyclists Union. "The regional rise in bike ridership means there are more vulnerable road users than ever in Massachusetts, and this law will curb distracted driving and make streets safer for everyone."

The hands-free law takes effect 90 days after passage and has reporting requirements for law enforcement officers who make traffic stops. They must make note of data, including the age, race and gender of individuals issued a warning or citation. The Registry of Motor Vehicles will house the data and the Secretary of Public Safety's office will annually release the information to the public. The new law sets forth a process in the event there are suspicions a law enforcement entity may be engaging in racial profiling.

The hands-free legislation is one proposal included in a comprehensive road-safety package filed earlier this year by the Baker-Polito Administration. That proposal includes measures to improve work zone safety, require the use of ignition interlock devices for first time offenders, and the creation of a framework to regulate new technology like electronic scooters and other low-speed mobility devices. For additional information, please visit: <https://www.mass.gov/news/baker-polito-administration-files-legislation-to-improve-road-safety>

Shawsheen Valley Tech High School High Honors and Honors for quarter 1

BILLERICA — At Shawsheen Tech, to be eligible for high honors a student must receive no grade lower than an "A" (90) for every course in which he/she is enrolled. To be eligible for the Honor Roll, a student must receive a minimum grade of "B" for every course in which he/she is enrolled.

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208 Cambridge Street,
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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR TERMINATION
OF A GUARDIAN OF AN
INCAPACITATED PERSON

Docket No. MI17P6342GD

In the Interests of:
Derek J. Ahearn
Of: Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Incapacitated Person/
Protected Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Tewksbury Hospital of Tewksbury, MA in the above captioned matter requesting that the court: Terminate the Guardianship

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or that the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of 12/19/2019. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Maureen H. Monks, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 21, 2019
Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate
191429 12/4/19

LEGAL NOTICE



Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on December 19, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by John and Erika Lund for a variance from Section 4131, Table of Dimensional Requirements, Rear Yard Setbacks, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaws to construct an addition to the existing single family home consisting of a first floor garage and office, second floor living space, and third floor bedroom and bathroom as shown on plans filed with this Board. Said property is located at 16 County Road, Assessor's Map 105, Lot 20, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice also available on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Robert Dugan,
Chairman
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LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
CONSERVATION
COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING
Abbreviated Notice
of Resource Area
Delineation (ANRAD)

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing December 18, 2019, at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Paul Thornblad for an ANRAD for the approval of the wetland delineation line for bordering vegetated wetlands. Said Property is located at 181 Pine Street (Lots 1 & 2), Map 45 Lot 1.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x 255), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org.

Stefania Gallo
Conservation Agent/
Planner
191427 12/4/19

LEGAL NOTICE



Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Room 9 at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, December 16, 2019 by the Board of Selectmen for the Change of Officer and Change of Beneficial Interest of the All Alcohol License of 99 Restaurants of Boston, LLC dba 99 Restaurant & Pub, 144 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA.

Gregory B. Bendel, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
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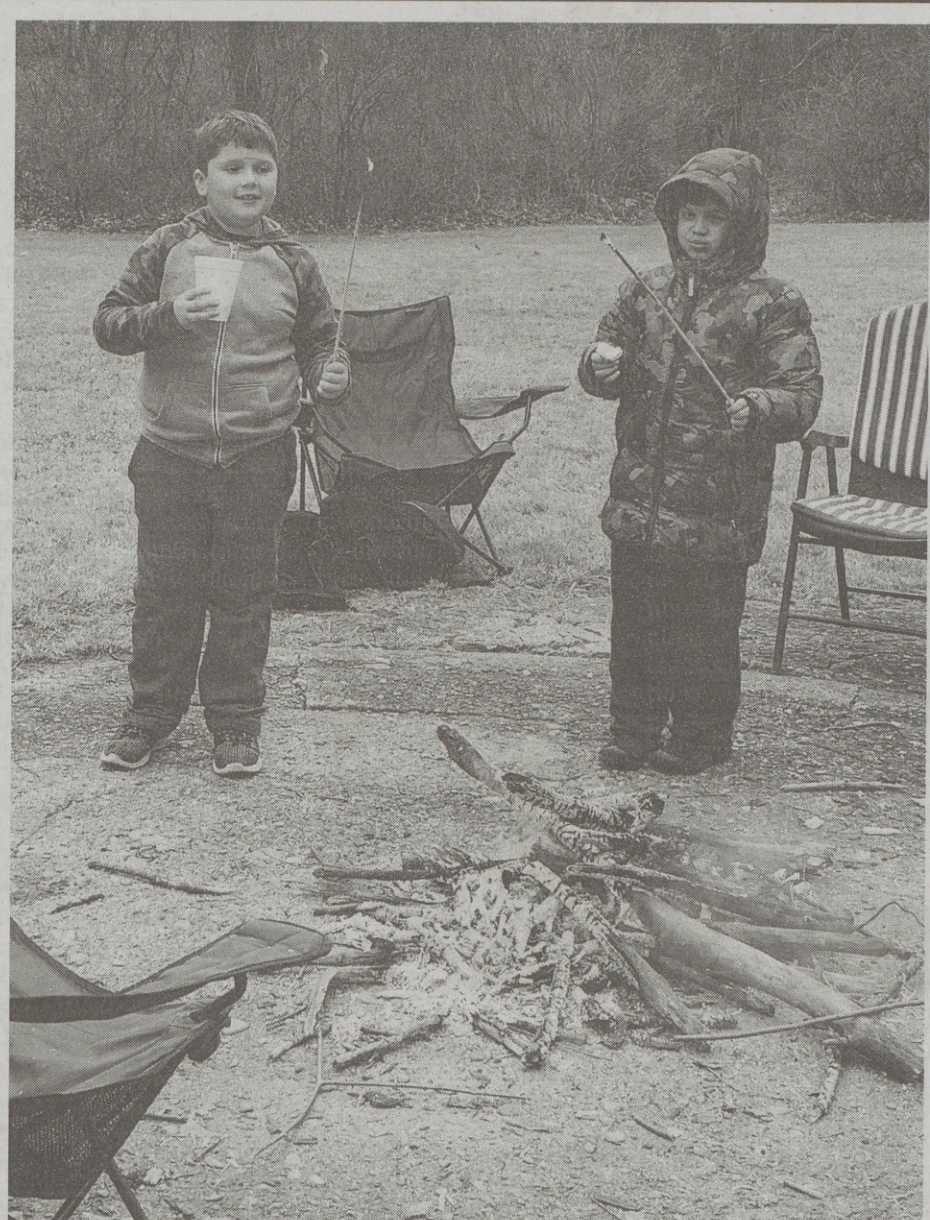
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Hiking grub

Pack 136 Cub Scouts Jimmy Fitzpatrick, left, and Rowan Norton, right, enjoy S'mores and hot chocolate after a refreshing Pack hike in the woods. Pack 136 meets on Thursdays from 6 - 7 p.m. at Friendship Lodge and are looking for a few more youth ages six plus to join the Pack. Check them out on Thursdays or call Frank West at 978-658-1754. (Courtesy photo)

~Recycling Tip of the Week~

Recycling Tip

Mercury thermometers or thermostats may be taken to the Tewksbury Health Department, Town Hall, 1009 Main St., Low-

er Level, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Stormwater Tip

Instead of raking up your leaves try mulching

them with your mower into smaller bits. This can have the same effect as adding lawn fertilizer and reduces runoff into streams and waterways.

Toys for Tots Drive at Lorraine Spada School of Dance on Saturday, Dec. 7

WILMINGTON — Lorraine Spada School of Dance is having their annual holiday party and Toys for Tots Toy Drive on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 12 - 2 p.m.. Each year Lorraine Spada School of Dance partners with the Wilming-

ton Fire Department to donate toys for children in the community!

Here are the details — Lorraine Spada School of Dance students are invited and Santa will be stopping by too on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 12 - 2 p.m. at Wilmington

United Methodist Church 87 Church St. (around back), Wilmington.

Please bring an UNWRAPPED toy for Toys for Tots. The Wilmington Fire Department will be stopping by with Santa to pick up the toys.

Planners discuss wireless tower

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avoid wetlands and septic tanks. Then they approved site plan review #19-06, parking special permit #19-01, and stormwater management permit #19-05 for 613 Main St. for Brian McCarthy, with special attention to a few conditions read aloud for everyone present.

The first item continued to next month's meeting is the multi-family special permit, site plan review, and stormwater management permit for 635 Main St. The board elected to continue this hearing, suggesting that the architect of the project attend next time to get all of their questions answered.

They also voted to continue the conservation subdivision special permit for 79 Nichols Street to next month. The board did approve the definitive plans for the preliminary subdivision #19-01 for 203 Lowell St.

A particular item of discussion was the site plan review and stormwater management permit for 4 & 6 Waltham St., where T-Mobile is building a wire-

less communications tower. Wilmington resident Fiona Logan expressed concern for other carriers joining the tower; the current carrier petitioning later to raise the height above 120 feet, per the current by-law; and for the company's apparent hesitance to contact the MBTA.

Planning Board Chairman Michael Sorrentino explained that all of these were under T-Mobile's (or other carriers') prerogative. When Logan pressed for both a one-hour balloon test and a color rendition to let abutters see how tall the cell tower would be, the representative of T-Mobile agreed.

Site plan reviews and stormwater management permits for 228 Andover St. and 100-110 Fordham Road were both continued to next month's meeting alongside the definitive subdivision for 635 Main St.

In Board of Appeals business, 3 Royal St. and 2 King St. were both discussed. However, the Planning Board wanted to see a better depiction of

the proposed editions and proof of hardship before they could grant an appeal for a variant at 2 King Street. They saw no problems with the appeal for 3 Royal Street.

Additional new business involved an extension for the stormwater management and parking special permit at 613 Main Street. For context, Director of Planning and Conservation Valerie Gingrich explained that the suggested site improvements required the acknowledgement of the abutting property owner, as the improvements required moving the abutter's utility pipes. While they couldn't change the conditions of the permits today, the board voted to grant a six-month extension.

Next month's Planning Board meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. on January 7th, 2020 in Town Hall Room 9. Before then, the board will be sending fliers and alerting residents about the proposed MacDonald Road rezoning from R-60 to R-20.

City OKs trucking activity at Ledges site on Main Street

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Pinkham explained those restrictions include outright bans on trucking activity along Mountain Road and Kearsage Streets, as well as any other roadway where heavy vehicle traffic has been prohibited by Woburn's Traffic Commission.

The decision also includes a mandate that Woburn 38 Development include those travel limitations in any contracts signed with third-party customers. As a general rule, the petitioner — through Concord attorney Paul Haverty — has agreed drivers should head directly to Route 128 via Main Street or utilize Route 38 and Route 129 in Wilmington to get to I-93.

"I know there was a lot of concern about the travel of trucks on local roadways. The petitioner on his own agreed to restrict access on Mountain Road and Kearsage Avenue," said Pinkham. "Interestingly, all of the major local roads that head to North Woburn from the Woburn Mall area are already subject to heavy trucking restrictions."

Late last spring, Building Commissioner Thomas Quinn issued a cease-and-desist order to Woburn 38 after discovering that Onyx Construction had posted advertisements that invited landscapers and other aggregate materials customers to purchase their products directly from 1042 Main St.

At the time, the Acton-based excavation contractor was just weeks into a massive earthworks operation that involves extensive blasting activity and the use of heavy machinery to grind down that stone into aggregate materials.

Per a 2015 ruling by the state's Housing Appeals Committee (HAC), the pre-construction site work phase of the housing project is expected to last roughly two years. The ZBA, which had for more than decade tried to block

the underlying 168-unit apartment project, ultimately lost that case in Feb. of 2018.

Late last spring, Quinn declared the sale of crushed stone — even if the arrangements solely involved the pickup of those products — as akin to running a quarry or retail sales operation. Each of those businesses, the building commissioner insisted, were prohibited uses within the underlying residential zoning district.

In a subsequent appeal filed in late June, Haverty claimed the HAC's 2015 decision supersedes Woburn's zoning regulations and granted his client permission to sell any processed stone.

North Woburnites, who insist that the developer is already ignoring a host of relevant state and federal regulations regarding dust control, blasting activity, and work site safety practices, are furious about Woburn 38's most recent request to allow third-party truck access.

However, during the last two ZBA hearings on the petition, the city officials insisted the developer was likely to prevail in any protracted legal challenge that made its way back before the HAC, which deals with appeals of Chapter 40B or affordable housing petitions.

Police issues

During the most recent administrative hearing, ZBA member Edward Robertson sought to assure neighbors that the city had the ability to enforce trucking prohibitions included in the recent comprehensive permit amendment.

However, in response to those inquiries, Quinn did acknowledge there is some ambiguity around his office's powers to enforce travel restrictions on public ways.

Ultimately, the building commissioner explained, such complaints would have to be dealt with by local police. Quinn did say his office regularly works with the police depart-

ment to handle similar issues.

"Would it be your view that your staff, if they saw a violation, could [fine the developer]?" asked Robertson.

"If it was on the public way, we'd report it to the police department. But if there was a violation on private property, I see no reason why we couldn't issue fines for a violation," Quinn responded.

Later asked to weigh in on the matter, Haverty told the ZBA that if his client was notified about trucking movement violations, corrective actions would be taken.

"Typically, you don't just start with the imposition of fines. You begin with a notice that you're in violation. If that is the case, we'd take action," he said. "If it's a driver who's simply not [following these rules], we'd take corrective action up to and including no longer allowing that company to come to the site."

Attached to the recent ZBA decision were the following other conditions:

- All trucks entering the construction site to pick-up processed materials must have a carrying capacity of at least 18 cubic yards and no more than 35 cubic yards;
- No trucks will be allowed to queue along Main Street or any other public way or property, and all drivers must adhere to a truck staging plan submitted to the ZBA on Oct. 5;
- The front gates into 1042 Main St. may not open prior to 7 a.m. and must close at 4 p.m.;
- Trucks entering the property may not idle on the site for longer than five minutes;
- All aggregate materials sales must be initiated off-site by excavation contractor Onyx Construction, which is strictly forbidden from advertising the availability of crushed rock at 1042 Main St.;
- A weigh station, which was recently installed just inside the gated entrance into the construction site off of Main St., must re-

main on the grounds until all earth removal activity has been completed;

- Onyx Construction is required to install video cameras, equipped with a live-feed, which will record all activity by the

industrial scale. Those recordings must be maintained for at least 60 days and any such footage must be provided to Building Inspector Thomas Quinn upon request;

- All heavy vehicle oper-

ators must adhere to state regulations regarding how material loads must be secured in order to prevent debris from falling onto local streets and causing safety hazards.

Celebrate The Season!

The Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce is excited to present a holiday ice sculpture at both the Wilmington & Tewksbury Tree Lighting Celebrations this weekend.

On behalf of our community, THANK YOU to our generous 2019 Chamber Member sponsors for allowing us to continue this "cool" tradition.

Come check out this year's fun design!

FRIDAY, DEC. 6

TEWKSBURY COMMON @ 6:00 PM

SATURDAY, DEC. 7

WILMINGTON COMMON @ 4:30 PM

2019 ICE SCULPTURE

Courtesy of:



▲ Detail of "Holding My Mother's Hand."

(Cassia Burns photo)

Local artist awarded Best in Show, People's Choice

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Guild of Artists Fall Exhibition for her piece "Holding My Mother's Hand."

This year's Woburn Guild of Artists Fall Exhibition took place on Saturday, Nov. 30. The event happens annually, and offers local artists, both members and non-members of the Guild, the opportunity to share their work with the community. Art can be entered in the following categories: Oil/Acrylic, Watercolor, Sculpture/Carving/Handcraft, Photography, Graphics-Computer Generated/Manipulated, Dry Media, Mixed Media, and Student work.

Artwork entered in the show has the ability to win a few different kinds of awards. Each category has Ribbon Awards, where the amount given is based on the amount of artists entered in that particular cat-

egory. There are also three Member awards: "Best in Show," "Student," and "Amateur." The public also votes on two awards: "People's Choice," voted on by all show attendees over the age of 12, and "Most Improved," judged by the board.

McCoy, who is the wife of longtime Wilmington Selectmen Michael McCoy, entered four pieces in the show. She won "Best in Show," and "People's Choice." Her "Best in Show" win marked the first time a graphite drawing has won the award in the history of the Woburn Guild of Artists.

For her show-winning piece, "Holding My Mother's Hand," judges commented, saying "Not only is this beautifully executed, but the composition and the sentiment is lovely. You can sense the love, kindness, and depth of care in a simple composition."

Wrestler meet and greet to support Toys for Tots

WILMINGTON — Sunday, Dec. 8 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., meet professional wrestlers from Lucky Pro Wrestling to support the USMC Toys for Tots campaign to collect toys and funds to assist area families who are in need of some Christmas and Holiday cheer.

This great meet and greet will be held at West Real Estate, 386 Main St., Wilmington. For a \$5 donation or new, unwrapped toy, wrestling fans can meet and get autographed photos from the following superstars. Wrestlers include:

Former LPW Heavyweight Champion, "Viciously Delicious" Vern Vicallo (recently seen on WWE Smackdown), one half of the LPW Tag Team Champions "The Killanova Culture" Royce Bishop, member of "The Bad Breed" Ricky Archer, and Ava Everett, one half of the WSU Women's Tag Team Champions.

And making a RARE New England appearance former multi-Extreme Wrestling Champion, half of the ECW Tag Team Champions, WWE Hardcore Champion — WWE Superstar — Justin Credible who will make his appearance dressed as his alter-ego Aldo Montoya and will have the WWE HARDCORE Championship belt.

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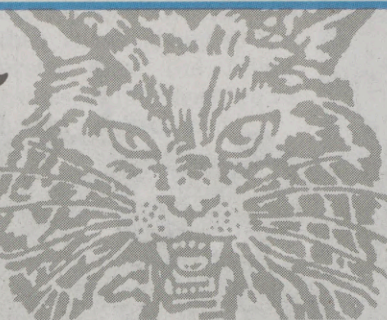


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SPORTS

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Local gymnast fulfills lifetime dream

Cory Shinoshara gets full-ride to UNC; At Level-10, she has competed against the best in the country and world

By JAMIE POTE
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WILMINGTON - Ever since she was six years old, Cory Shinoshara has loved the sport of gymnastics. Her passion and commitment to the sport is second to none. Throughout her career, the Wilmington High School senior has had multiple injuries, including a broken elbow, a broken back and torn ACL in her knee. She has also traveled all over the world, including trips to

Japan, where had she elected to stay in the country, it could have put her on a possible path to represent the country in next year's summer olympics.

Throughout her career, the Level-10 star had to forgo a lot of family events, social gatherings with friends, dances and so forth. She currently trains 25 hours a week at the same gymnasium that former United States Olympians Aly Raisman and Alicia Sacramone before they both came

home with Olympic Medals.

Shinoshara had to learn about time management - she attends school, comes home and takes a nap, then goes to practice from 5-9 pm, comes home has dinner, takes another short nap, then wakes up at 11:15 and does homework until around 1 am.

All of that helped her land a full-athletic scholarship to attend the University of North Carolina. Back on November 15th, she along with two other recruits,

Kathryn Greene and Tienna Nguyen signed their National Letters of Intent to compete for the Tarheels starting next fall.

Shinoshara was asked if all of the hard work, practices and competitions, all of her falls and disappointing meets, all of her first place finishes at state meets, all of injuries, all of the ups and downs in the sport and all of the social events that she missed, all of the sweat, tears and high fives, was all worth sign-

ing on the dotted line, receiving a full ride to a prestigious academic and athletic institution.

"Yes, absolutely," she stated with a big smile. "(The UNC) coach called my coach (Mihai Brestyan) during a practice and that's when I was offered the scholarship and that was a great feeling. It was one of the best feelings I have ever had in my life. Mihai's number one goal is to get every single one of his gymnasts into college so that's a good feeling for him too

when one of his gymnasts commits and gets a full-ride."

During that NLI day, UNC coach Derek Galvin spoke about the excitement of the program adding three powerful gymnasts.

"All three of these young ladies possess all of the qualities to be successful student-athletes here at Carolina in and out of the gym," said Galvin. "We are all very eager to have them join us in Chapel

SHINOSHARA PG SP12W



Ever since she was six years old, Wilmington resident Cory Shinoshara has competed in gymnastics. She has competed against the best in the state, region, country and also has competed internationally. She recently signed her National Letter of Intent to continue her career at the University of North Carolina. (courtesy photo).

Boys Lacrosse Coach, McDannell, leaves for Revere

Wilmington High will have third coach in three years

By MIKE IPPOLITO
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WILMINGTON - Zach McDannell did not have a long tenure as coach of the Wilmington High Boys Lacrosse team, serving just one season as the team's head coach. He led the Wildcats to a 5-11 record last season, after

serving as the junior varsity coach and assistant to Fran Peters the two previous seasons.

But that doesn't mean that he hadn't grown a great attachment to Wilmington High and to his Wildcats players during his brief tenure with the program.

That attachment to the

program and to his players led to it being a very difficult decision for him to announce his resignation last week to take over as the head coach of the Revere High School Boys Lacrosse team.

In many ways, the decision was a no brainer for McDannell. He is a sixth grade geography teacher

in Revere, where he also resides, so the opportunity to coach at Revere High makes all the sense in the world. Except for the part about leaving Wilmington High.

"The position opened up in Revere and it is a great opportunity to step into a growing program,"

MCDANNELL PG SP11W



Back on November 15th, local gymnast Cory Shinoshara, a senior at WHS, signed her National Letter of Intent where she will attend and compete at the Division 1 program of the University of North Carolina. Enjoying the special moment with her is Mihai Brestyan, her lifetime coach and also the former coach of the United States Olympic team. (courtesy photo).

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Ten is the lucky number for the Redmen

Tewksbury wins for tenth straight time on Thanksgiving and wins tenth game of the season

By JAMIE POTE
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TEWKSBURY - Truth being told, heading into last Thursday morning's Thanksgiving Day game, the thought was Tewksbury was once again the heavy favorites, and the younger and less experienced Wilmington team would have to play near perfect ball to somehow pull out the victory.

Wilmington - minus one quarter where the team gave up 28 points and turned the ball over three times - jumped out to a 7-0 lead and played really well during certain parts of the game.

Tewksbury, on the other hand, was coming off a tough loss in the state semi-final game just six days earlier and it took a while for the wheels to get cranking.

When the wheels were in full speed, the Redmen scored all four of their touchdowns in the second quarter and came away with a 28-13 victory over the pesky Wildcats, played before 2,000 fans. This made it ten straight wins on Turkey Day.

While it was the tenth straight victory over their rivals, it was also the tenth victory of the season for the Redmen, who lost a significant amount of starting players on both sides of the ball after last year's run to the Gillette.

"Yes, absolutely we're thrilled (to finish the season with ten wins)," answered Redmen head coach Brian Aylward. "You think about what it felt like walking off this field after the Methuen game (in week two)."

"I don't think anybody in their right mind was thinking that we would end up with a ten-win season. For those kids to battle back and take ownership of what their legacy was going to be like here (says a lot about them)."

"To be a senior class that was going through here, and get double-digit wins, all three years they have been here, nobody has done that before ever."

"We talk all of the time about the expectations are relatively high but other people's expectations can never be higher than your own and you have to demand that of yourselves and each other and that's what those kids did this year. I'm proud of them and they did a great job today, and this season."

This marked the fourth straight year that Tewksbury won at least ten games in a season, going 10-1, 10-2, 11-2 and 10-2 in each of the previous four seasons, combining for a 41-7 record.

Back in '95-'97, the team combined to go 29-4-1 which included two trips to the Super Bowl (and one win in '96) and then from 2013-'15, the team combined to go 30-5, which included a Super Bowl title in the 13-0 perfect season in 2013.

After Wilmington took the 7-0 lead on a 41-yard TD pass from senior captain Christian Robarge (9-for-15, 166 yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT) to sophomore Gavin



The Tewksbury Memorial High School Football team captured its tenth straight Thanksgiving Day victory over Wilmington last Thursday, which was also the final game to be played at Tewksbury's Doucette Field. The team celebrated once again with the Game Trophy. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

Erickson (3 catches, 59 yards), the next four scores all came from the home team. Shane Aylward returned the ensuing kick-off 72 yards for the touchdown, but the conversion kick failed.

"Special teams killed us and we gave up another kick return (touchdown)," said Wilmington head coach Craig Turner. "We can't kick the ball further than ten yards because (a return for a touchdown) happens every single time. We might have set a record this year for giving up the most kick return touchdowns in a season."

"We have tried everything to fix it - kick it different spots, to different people and that touchdown was a backbreaker for us today."

Both teams followed with three-and-outs and Tewksbury punted, and the ball went to the Wilmington 45, but the ball was fumbled and recovered by Mike Kelly.

Three plays later, junior quarterback Ryne Rametta (10-for-17, 155 yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT) sent a quick pass to his right to Aylward, who after getting pushed towards the sideline, was able to tip-toe his way down the right side, staying in bounds, the rest of the way for what proved to be the game winning score. Rametta then connected with Owen Gilligan for the conversion, making it 14-7.

"(After the kick-off return touchdown), we had the fumbled punt and would have had the ball at the 50 yard line with some momentum and up 7-6. Those two plays were big for them," said Turner, who watched his team turn the ball over 26 times this season. "(Tewksbury) just blitzed us in the second quarter and we had three turnovers in that quarter."

"Other than that, I thought we played phenomenal on defense. We had a really good plan defensively and I thought the kids really played tough. They beat us on a couple of pass plays. We did have guys in the right spot too. That's just a really good team and I thought our kids went toe-to-toe and didn't back down at all."

Ahead 14-7, it didn't take long for Tewksbury to get the ball back and score again. Aylward intercepted a tipped pass near mid-field and returned it to the Wilmington 39.

Four plays later, sophomore Danny Fleming went up the gut for a 10-yard score and Tyler Keough's kick was good, giving Tewksbury a 21-7 lead and three scores in 6:02.

Wilmington went three-and-out behind QB sacks by Billy McKay and Robbie Kimtis, forcing Wilmington to punt from its own 20. The ball went to the Tewksbury 44 and after a quick bobble, was returned 17 yards to the Wildcats' 39 yard line.

On the following play, Rametta connected with Richard Markwarth for a 39-yard TD strike, and the kick was good making it 28-7.

The score remained the same until late in the fourth quarter when Robarge scrambled to his right, before coming back to his left, and threw an 18-yard pass to a wide open Tristan Ciampa in the left end zone. The conversion failed on a bad snap.

Trailing 28-13, Wilmington tried a squib/onside kick but it was recovered by the Redmen, who drove to the Wilmington 10 yard line before being stuffed. Robarge then connected with Stephen Smolinsky for a 45-yard catch but two plays later, Robarge was stuffed at the line of scrimmage on a running play to end the game.

"They (Wilmington) have some guys upfront who are good players," said Aylward. "(Two-way lineman and senior captain Dean) Nally is a good player and he was good against us last year. They came here and fought, they did their town proud and they were not afraid. That's what this game is all about."

"We also fought for our town and I'm happy that our guys were able to make some plays, come back but those (Wilmington) guys did a great job of hanging in there and played all the way until the end."

"I'm glad that our kids fought back and made

some big plays when they had to. It was a great opportunity for us to get a lot of our senior guys out there and they all did well."

Wilmington ends the season with a 4-7 overall record (4-8 if you count the endowment game to

Billerica).

"They are a tough group and they really enjoy each other and worked really hard this season," said Turner of his team.

"There was a part to the season with like two or three weeks left and sometimes coaches have

the feeling of 'I can't wait until this ends' and not once did I have that feeling with these guys this year. It's a good group."

"The seniors did such an awesome job of showing the underclassmen of how it's done."

Wilmington-Tewksbury Football Box Score

TEWKSBURY 28, WILMINGTON 13

Wilmington (4-7)	0	07	0	6	-13
Tewksbury (10-2)	0	28	0	0	-28
W: Gavin Erickson 41 pass from Christian Robarge (Stephen Smolinsky kick)					
T: Shane Aylward 72 kickoff return (kick failed)					
T: Aylward 44 pass from Ryne Rametta (Owen Gilligan pass from Rametta)					
T: Danny Fleming 10 run (Tyler Keough kick)					
T: Richard Markwarth 39 pass from Rametta (Keough kick)					
W: Tristan Ciampa 18 pass from Robarge (rush failed)					

	W	T
First Downs	9	12
Rushes-Yards	26-65	33-109
Pass-Att-Int	11-18-2	10-17-1
Passing Yards	183	155
Total Yards	248	264
Fumbles-lost	1-1	2-0
Penalties-Yards	2-15	7-75

Individual Stats

Passing: Wilmington, Christian Robarge 11-for-15, 166 yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT; Joe McCauley 2-for-3, 17 yards, 0 TDs, 1 INT; Tewksbury, Ryne Rametta 10-for-17, 155 yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT.

Rushing: Wilmington, Bailey Smith 12-40; Christian Robarge 13-24; Marcello Misuraca 1-1; Tewksbury, Danny Fleming 7-36, 1 TD; Kyle Darrigo 9-26; Tyler Keough 6-23; Kalu Olu 3-11; Patrick Fleming 1-11; Shane Aylward 2-10; Ryne Rametta 5 - (-8).

Receiving: Wilmington, Stephen Smolinsky 3-74; Gavin Erickson 3-59, 1 TD; Tristan Ciampa 2-31, 1 TD; Christian Robarge 1-11; Marcello Misuraca 1-8; Tewksbury, Shane Aylward 5-82, 1 TD; Richard Markwarth 1-39, 1 TD; Tyler Keough 2-17; Danny Fleming 1-12; Nolan Timmons 1-5.

TMHS SEASON STATS

	Tewksbury	Opponents
First Downs	66	54
Rushes-Yards	138	67
Pass-Att-Int	68	31
Passing Yards	58	38
Total Yards	-330	-180
Fumbles-Lost		
Penalties-Yards		
Team Stats		
T		Opp
162		155
401-1,909		353-1,447
93-171-9		113-211-8
1,364		1,763
3,273		3,210
53-495		39-302
10-5		17-12

Individual Stats

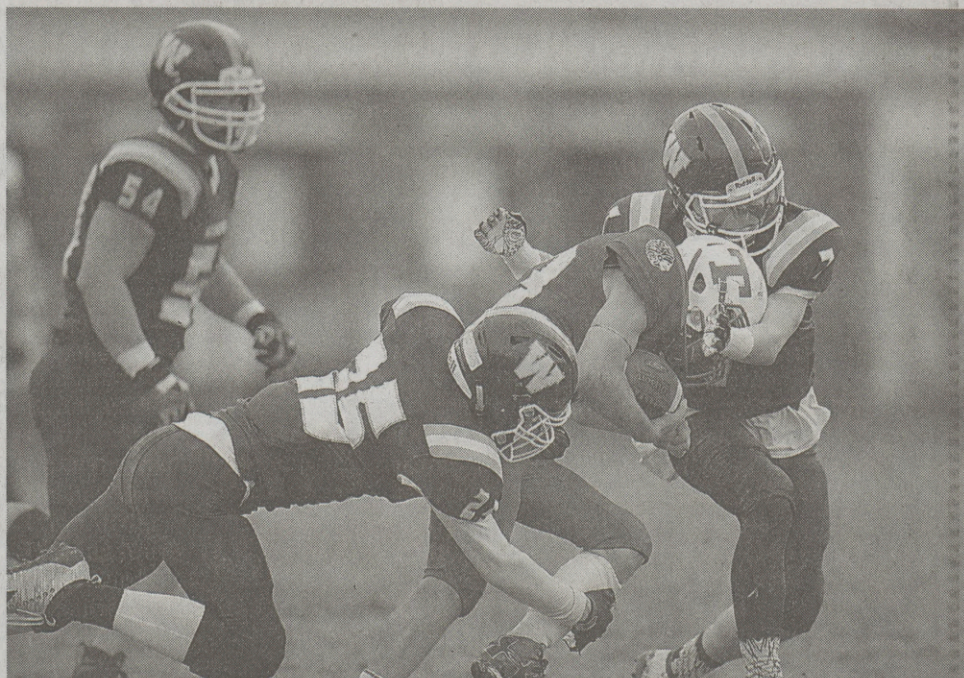
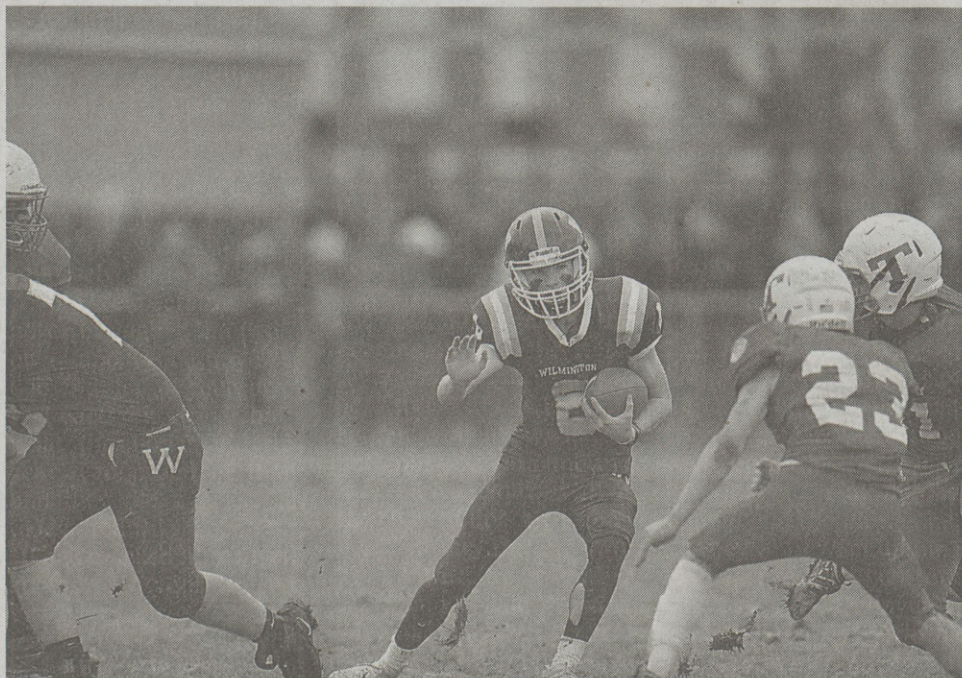
Passing: Ryne Rametta 91-for-165, 1,334 yards, 15 TDs, 9 INTs; Tyler Keough 2-for-2, 30 yards, 0 TDs, 0 INTs; Danny Fleming 0-for-2, 0 yards, 1 INT; Nolan Timmons 0-for-1, 0 yards; Shane Aylward 0-for-1, 0 yards.

Rushing: Kyle Darrigo 147-744, 13 TDs; Kalu Olu 77-462, 3 TDs; Shane Aylward 32-276, 6 TDs; Danny Fleming 49-257, 4 TDs; Tyler Keough 32-216, 3 TDs; Cameron Cimmino 6-49; Patrick Fleming 5-28; Michael Kelly 4-11; Nick Tracy 1-5; Jake Kaiser 2-4; Sean Fahey 2-3; Aiden Trulli 3 - (-6); Team 1 - (-10); Ryne Rametta 37 - (-106), 1 TD.

Receiving: Shane Aylward 29-379, 1 TD; Tyler Keough 22-325, 2 TDs; Nolan Timmons 16-234, 4 TDs; Danny Fleming 13-206, 3 TDs; Owen Gilligan 6-83, 1 TD; Kyle Darrigo 4-81, 1 TD; Richard Markwarth 2-48, 2 TDs; Michael Kelly 1-8.

Scoring: Kyle Darrigo 13 TDs, 78 points; Tyler Keough 5 TDs, 27 PATs, 2 conversions, 1 field goal, 70 points; Shane Aylward 11 TDs, 66 points; Danny Fleming 6 TDs, 42 points; Nolan Timmons, 4 TDs, 1 conversions, 26 points; Kalu Olu 3 TDs, 18 points; Ryne Rametta 1 TD, 6 points; Owen Gilligan 1 TD, 2 conversions, 10 points; Richard Markwarth 2 TDs, 12 points; 1 Defensive Safety, 2 points.

Compiled by Jamie Pote and Dan Zimmerman



Above left, Wilmington High senior captain Christian Robarge runs with the ball ahead, while, Tewksbury senior captain Tyler Keough tries to move in to make the tackle; On the right, Keough is the one running with the ball, while he gets hit by Marcello Misuraca (25) and Tristan Ciampa (far right), while, Dean Nally (54) looks on.

(photos by Bob DeChiara).

86th annual Wilmington-Tewksbury Football match-up

Turkey Game Notebook stuffed with interesting tidbits

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TEWKSBURY - Even though Rick Cooke has a lot more about the end of an era, the final game to be played at Doucette Field, that certainly doesn't take away the fact that several hundred former players from Wilmington and Tewksbury stood together at midfield, shook hands, hugged each other and took several pictures together to celebrate the final game played on a field that began play back in 1935.

And after the second half ended, it was the current players, more so from the Tewksbury side, who were hugging and celebrating with the 28-13 win.

The 2019 Redmen team

ended the season with the win on the final game on Doucette Field, with the program's tenth straight win over Wilmington, with the program's tenth win of the season, with the program's fourth straight 10-plus win season, and the fact that the team played eight home games, with seven wins, which are also believed to be program records.

"I think what (this year's team) did was they played more games on this (Doucette) field than we ever have (in any other previous season)," said Tewksbury head coach Brian Aylward. "I have to doublecheck the math, but it seems like we have been here every week."

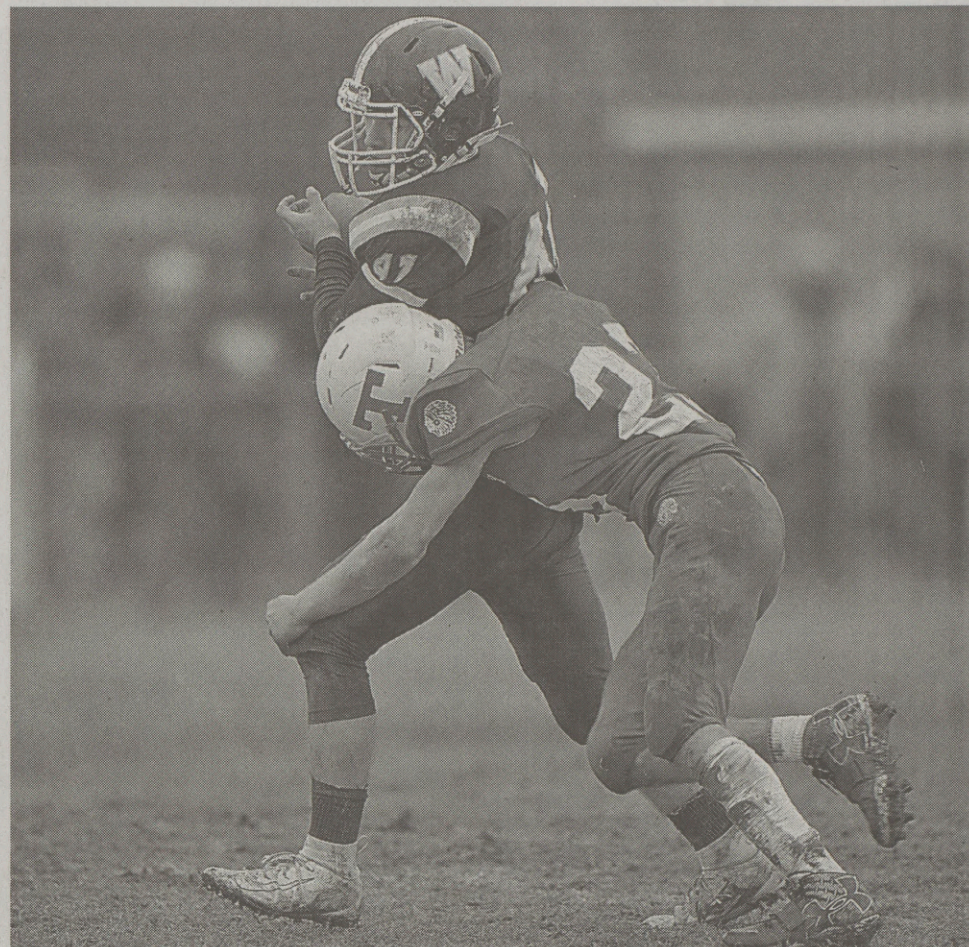
"We were heavy on the home games to begin

with, then we had the three playoff games and then Thanksgiving so I'm pretty sure the (eight games is the most we've had in one season)."

The first home game this season was a loss to Methuen, but after that the team knocked off BC High, North Andover, Chelmsford, Lynn English, Concord-Carlisle, Winchester and then Wilmington.

Of course for Tewksbury players and fans, this victory in the 86th meeting between the two schools, will always be remembered, but Aylward has many more memories when it comes to his time spent on Doucette Field.

"There's been so many memories and this field has been a big part of my life. It's going to be a dif-



Wilmington High junior Stephen Smolinsky had a terrific game on both sides of the ball on Thursday. He made three catches as a wide receiver, including this one where he being brought to the ground by Tewksbury High senior captain Tyler Keough.

(photo by Bob DeChiara).

WHS Season Stats

(Counting Endowment Game)

	Score by Quarters				
Wilmington	40	58	36	52	- 186
Opponents	65	147	40	53	- 305

Team Stats

	W	Opp
First Downs	145	124
Rushes-Yards	373-1,427	327-1,810
Pass-Att-Int.	93-192-11	59-139-7
Passing Yards	1,512	1,033
Total Yards	2,939	2,843
Penalties-yards	49-426	56-530
Fumbles-Lost	16-15	16-6

Individual Stats

Passing: Christian Robarge 26-for-43, 563 yards, 6 TDs, 1 INT; Joe McCauley 36-for-81, 501 yards, 7 TDs, 6 INTs; Tristan Ciampa 31-for-60, 448 yards, 2 TDs, 4 INTs; Pedro Germano 0-for-8, 0 yards, 1 INT.

Rushing: Bailey Smith 217-919, 9 TDs; Christian Robarge 66-288, 1 TD; Tristan Ciampa 25-99, 1 TD; Kyle Vallee 20-89; Andre Turner 6-39; Jared Venezia 6-27; Peter DiAdamo 3-11; Adam LeBlanc 3-10; Joseph DiMonico 2-4; Marcello Misuraca 1-1; Pedro Germano 5-(-5); Team 2-(-12); Joe McCauley 17-(-43).

Receiving: Christian Robarge 21-363, 2 TDs; Gavin Erickson 17-337, 5 TDs; Joao Germano 11-190, 2 TDs; Stephen Smolinsky 8-172, 1 TD; Andre Turner 9-156, 2 TDs; Tristan Ciampa 7-102, 3 TDs; Marcello Misuraca 7-101, 1 TD; Bailey Smith 9-65; Pedro Germano 2-14; Jared Venezia 1-10; Kyle Vallee 1-2.

Scoring: Bailey Smith 9 TDs, 54 points; Gavin Erickson 5 TDs, 30 points; Stephen Smolinsky 1 TD, 19 PATs, 1 Field Goal, 28 points; Christian Robarge, 2 TDs, 3 conversions, 24 points; Andre Turner 3 TDs, 18 points; Tristan Ciampa, 3 TDs, 18 points; Joao Germano 1 TD, 6 points; Marcello Misuraca 1 TD, 6 points; Jared Venezia, 2 pt conversion, 2 points.

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ferent feeling for sure when we go somewhere new but we got our use of this field for sure," he said.

STARS OF THE GAME

If there was a "Star of the Game", one from each team, certainly it would go to Tewksbury's Shane Aylward and Wilmington's Stephen Smolinsky. Aylward finished the game scoring two touchdowns, one on a 72-yard kick-off return and the other on a 44-yard TD reception from Ryne Rametta.

In addition, Aylward picked off two interceptions, the first leading to a Danny Fleming touchdown. All in all, Aylward had five catches for 82 yards, two rushes for ten yards and the 72 yard

kick-off return touchdown for a total of 164 all-purpose yards.

On Tuesday morning, Athletic Director Ron Drouin announced on social media that Aylward was named to the Boston Herald All-Scholastic team for the second straight year.

On the other side, Smolinsky was terrific for the 'Cats. Offensively as a wide receiver, he had three catches for 74 yards and kicked a PAT. Defensively, he had two QB sacks and made a handful of other strong tackles, several for loss of yards, coming from his DE position.

"He was fantastic and just absolutely awesome out there," said Wilmington head coach Craig Turner. "I had a real long talk with him

yesterday, a real heart-to-heart about what his role is going to be going forward and what we see for him and he came out and plays nails today. He was great and made some really big plays for us. Defensively I thought he was fantastic as well."

KEY RETURNERS

Smolinsky will be one of many Wilmington players who return next year with varsity experience joining a handful of other current players including fellow wide outs Gavin Erickson, Marcello Misuraca and Joao Germano, quarterback Joe McCauley, line-men Dylan Clerico, Shane Roberts, Andrew O'Brien, Jack Malloy, Jake Chirichello and a handful

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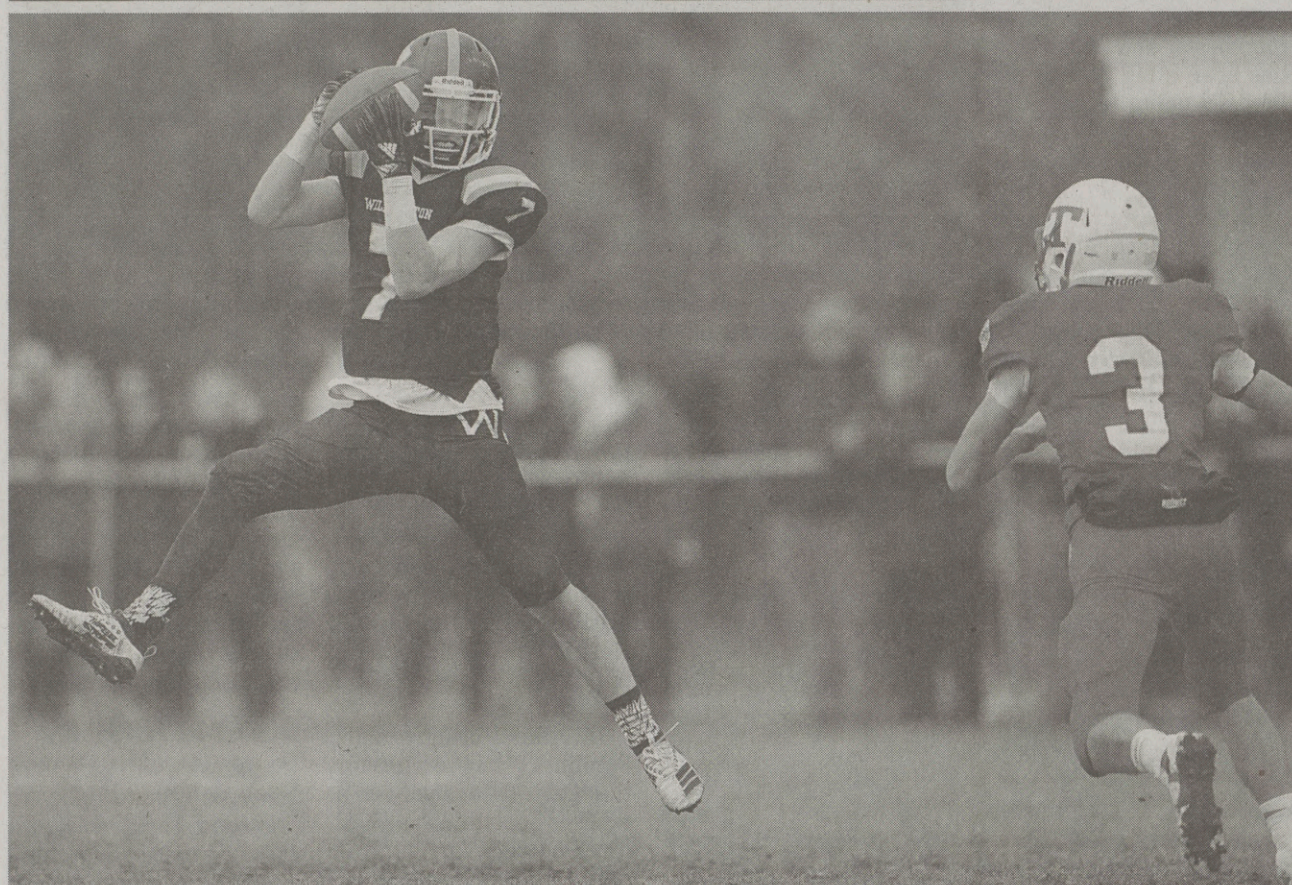
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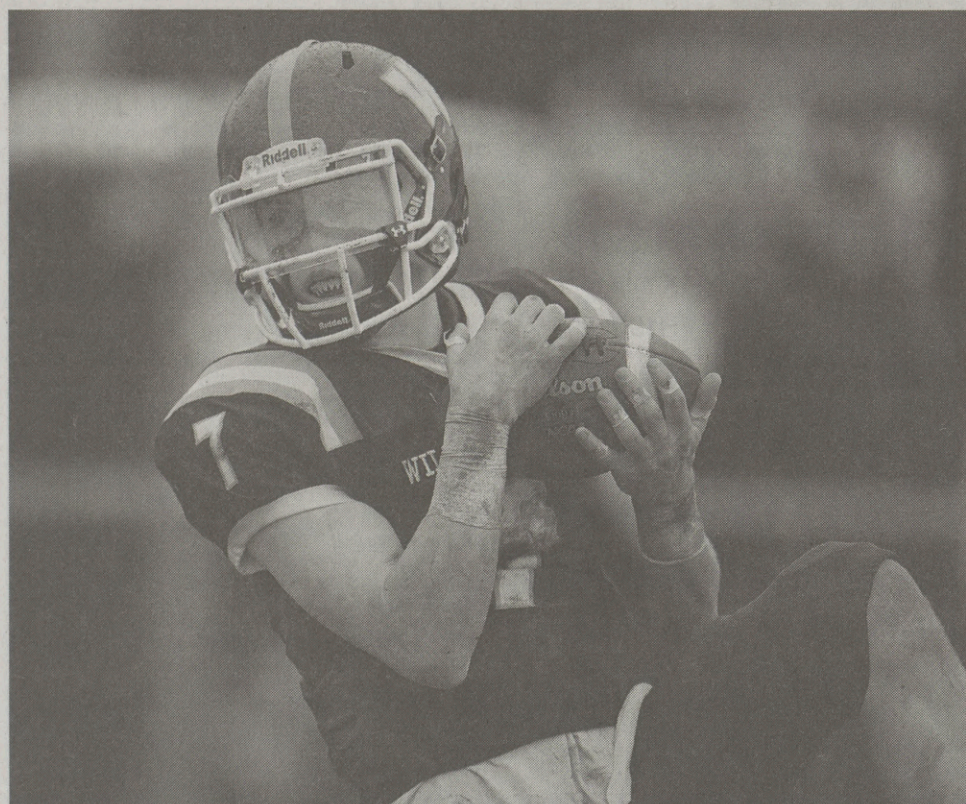
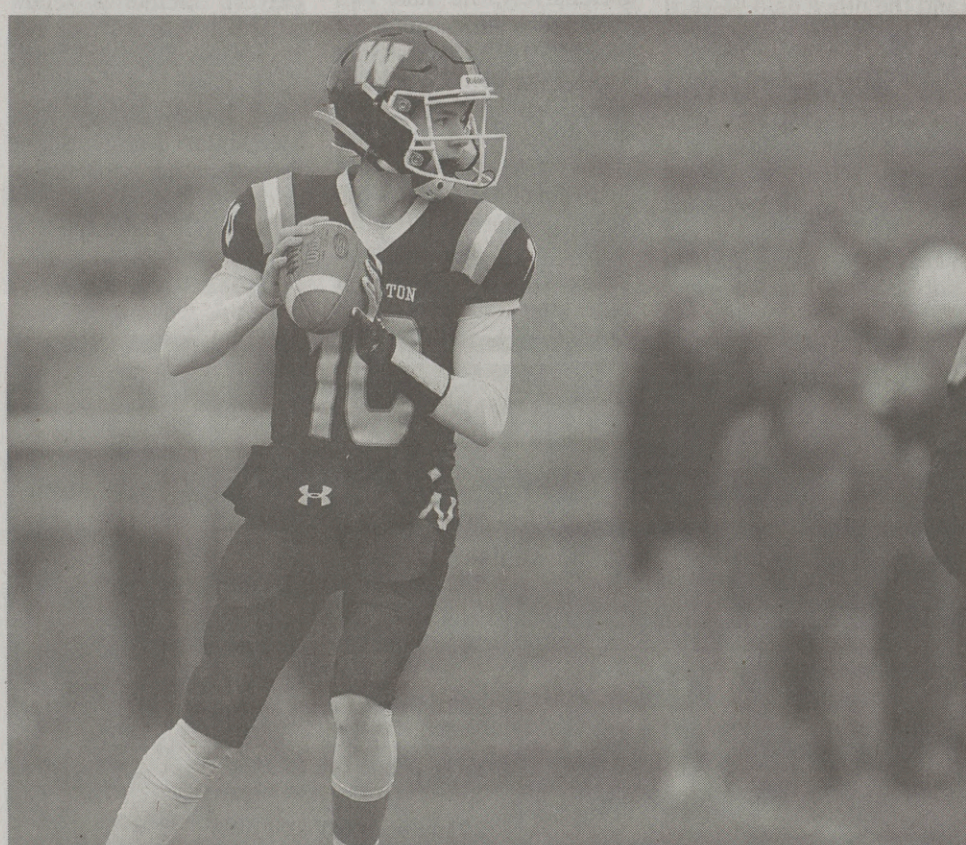
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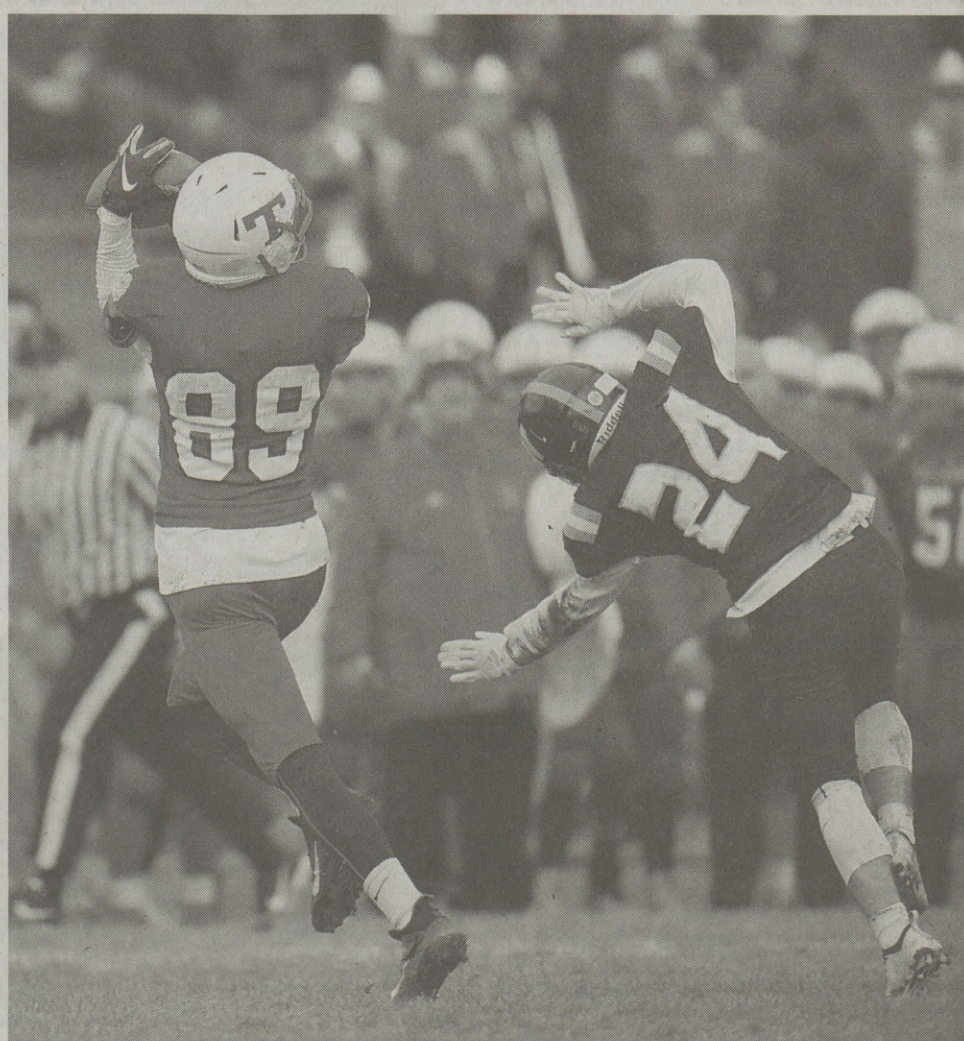
To the left, Tewksbury High junior Stephen Arsenault makes a hit on Wilmington's Bailey Smith, who was carrying the ball, while, Wilmington's Karl Saied looks on; Above, sophomore Danny Fleming comes in to make a tackle on Wilmington High senior quarterback Christian Robarge. (photos by Bob DeChiara).



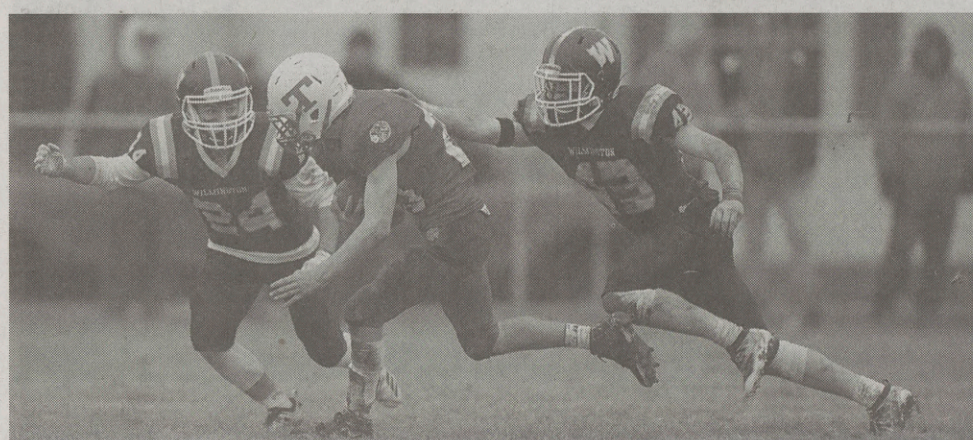
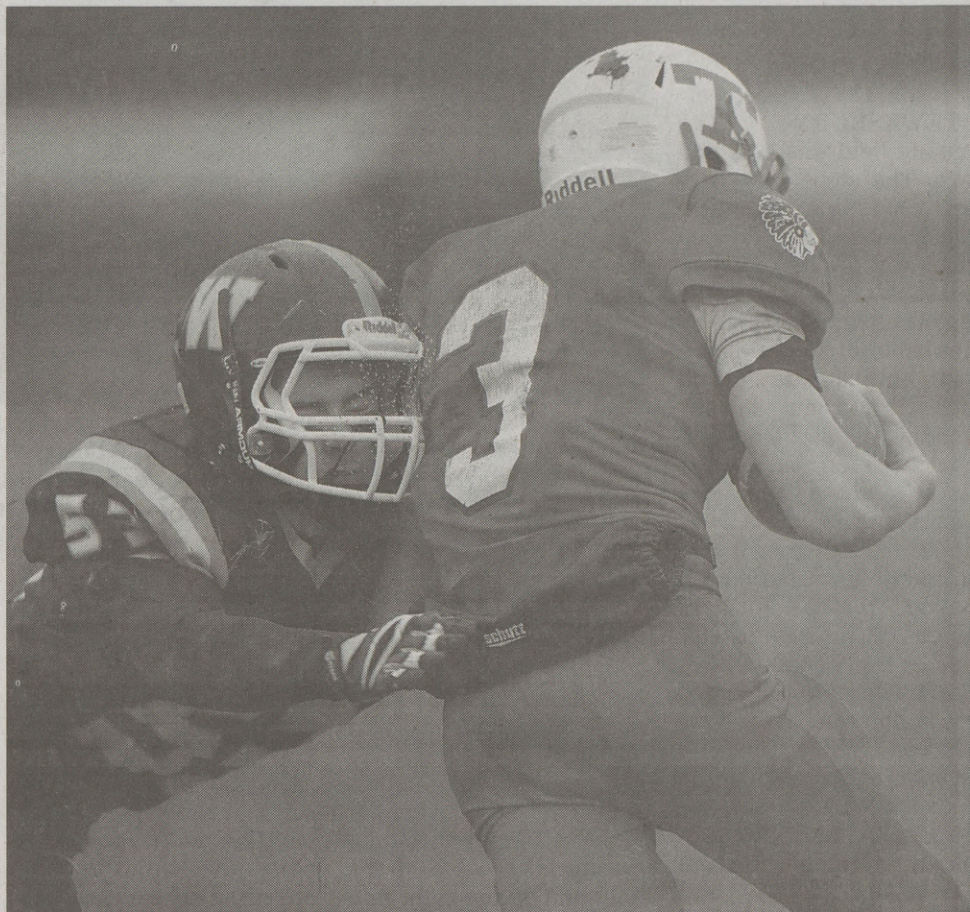
To the left, Wilmington High senior Tristan Ciampa makes a catch, while Tewksbury's Shane Aylward moves in to make the contact; and above, Tristan's sister, Tori, looks on as one of the WHS Cheerleaders. (photos by Bob DeChiara).



Starting to the left and going clockwise, Wilmington High Freshman Joe McCauley sits in the pocket looking to make a pass; above, Tewksbury's Shane Aylward reaches over Kyle Vallee to makes a catch, which turned into a touchdown; below, Richard Markwarth makes an over the shoulder catch, that also turned into a touchdown; bottom left, Tewksbury's Tyler Keough takes off with the ball with Wilmington's Marcello Misuraca ion his tail, and above that, Tristan Ciampa hauls in the touchdown pass coming late in the game. (All photos by Bob DeChiara).



These two teams gave it their all



Starting bottom left and working clockwise: Tyler Keough with the ball while Wilmington's Kyle Vallee (24) and Bailey Smith (43) try to hunt him down; James Kourkoutas of the WHS Band in action during the halftime show; Smith tries to take down Keough, with Aylward in on the play; top right Aylward runs with the ball as Shane Roberts moves in to make the tackle, and directly above is junior quarterback Ryne Rametta letting a pass fly from the pocket. (All photos by Bob DeChiara).



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Time to say goodbye to Doucette Field

A Thanksgiving morning filled with memories

By RICK COOKE
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TEWKSBURY- The muddy field was cold and wet. The stone bleachers are crumbling and turning to dust. They've been that way for two football seasons now. It's Thanksgiving morning in Tewksbury, and a small but enthusiastic crowd has turned out to say goodbye to Doucette Field. Some people called it a stadium over the years. Whatever it was called, it has been home to many Tewksbury High School football players since 1938. Once it was called the Center School Field before it was named to honor the late Tree Warden Walter Doucette in 1977, a fitting tribute to a dedicated town employee. There was a group of older men from Tewksbury and Wilmington who showed up at the field Thursday morning and did nothing but smile. There were hugs, handshakes, tears and laughter. They showed up with cancer, in a wheelchair, limping and searching for the right thing to say to former teammates they hadn't seen in more than 20, 30 or even 40 years. They were a lot older, heavier and balder. Some were Redmen. Some were Wildcats. The old rivalry had come full circle. It was time to say goodbye to old Doucette Field. A place where memories were made.

Two days earlier Eleanore Riddle made the short drive from her Tewksbury home to say goodbye to Doucette Field. For the 82-year-old Riddle, this place was so much more than a field. Two of her sons played on this field. Matthew and Mark gave all they had to give to make Redmen football great again beginning in 1977. Mark broke his neck on this field in 1979.

"I went up there to the field crying today. I talked to one of the workers. I went there to say goodbye to Walter Doucette Field," said Riddle. "My dad took me to my first game there in 1947. I was pregnant with my son John in 1963 when Walter Doucette sat in front of me for every game. We used to go to all the games."

This day was about so much more than a field. It was about Tewksbury people with the last names Aylward, Mackey, Millett, Riddle, French, Hague, Gillette, Smith, Petros, Vecchi, Brooks, Hanley and Roux. I'm sure I'm leaving some last names off that list. They will let me know about it I'm sure.

Last Thursday morning there were guys I remember from Wilmington with the last names Campbell, Woods and Stewart. I'm really sure I will hear about any Wilmington omissions. That's the nature of the beast. I will go to my grave known as that guy with the "Big Red T" on his chest. On this morning, all the competition was over. The games ended a long time ago. We were all here to say goodbye to Doucette Field.

There were generations of families making memories on this patch of dirt that served as a field. It wasn't that way back in 1938 I'm sure. I played on this field from 1970-72. There wasn't much grass on the field back then. I was injured, benched, humiliated and taught a football lesson or two by people like Joe Hanley and Charlie Roux. I survived the experience long enough to learn from it even when the place was called the Center School Field. Eventually the field got better with a new name and a young, enthusiastic head coach with that last name Aylward. I was long gone by then.



During halftime of Thursday's game, several hundred former Tewksbury and Wilmington Football players gathered together at midfield, to pay respects to each other, but more importantly to take part in a special moment to say good-bye to Doucette Field, a special place where the two teams have played one another ever other year since 1935. All of the players in this moment are currently looking up to the sky for the drone, provided by the Tewksbury Police Department, to take some pictures. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

But I still have those memories of playing on a field that I found myself standing on again for the last time a week ago. The first thing that I noticed was that the mud was still cold. I couldn't understand why as a 16-year-old lineman I enjoyed finding the muddiest area of the field and diving right into it before every practice.

At halftime of the

and Jim Brooks - who died in 1986 at the age of 40 after a battle with brain cancer - will remain forever on any new football high school facilities in Tewksbury.

For now, there will be some relatively simple stuff on the head coach's plate. Like adjusting the offseason schedule so junior quarterback Ryne Rametta can turn in his

included Paul Sullivan, Dave Petros, Luke Byrne and Brian "Snucker" Smith- teammates who passed away too soon."

"Fast-forward to my last big game at Doucette Field, Thanksgiving Day 1973 against Wilmington. This was a tough year and depressing for us. Wilmington crushed us that day. My haunting memory is running about

Petros.

The day was especially emotional for "Fuzzy". I found him and gave him my biggest hug of the morning. Mark's brothers Dave and Jay recently passed away. They both played at Doucette Field, and Jay was arguably the greatest running back in the school's history. There was a moment of silence for Jay before the game.

of the muck and mire. His coach Bob Aylward remembers the day and still shakes his head in amazement all these years later.

"We were scrimmaging and he comes up from a play cut and bleeding badly. An old open can had come up from beneath the field. It was like a quagmire. He lost a lot of games his senior



Former Tewksbury High player, Mark Stephens (above and right) playing the Thanksgiving Day game against Wilmington on a very muddy field in 1975. The field was called the Center School Field at the time. It was Bob Aylward's second season in Tewksbury. (courtesy photos).

Tewksbury-Wilmington game the former players from both towns gathered at midfield and looked skyward. A drone flew overhead and snapped some group photos. TMHS Athletic Director Ron Drouin thought of a way to get the best photo of some guys who collectively kept looking around for the photographer. It was pulled off without a hitch in sight thanks to the drone provided by the Tewksbury Police Department. We had plenty of time to find another Tewksbury or Wilmington guy to shake hands with or bear hug.

"I must have cried four different times," said retired TMHS varsity football coach Bob Aylward. "It was overwhelming. It was more than I expected. All these different kids through the years. It was pretty incredible. I thank Ronnie Drouin for that. It was a great idea."

Current TMHS football coach Brian Aylward has been around Doucette Field a long time both as a player and a coach. In 1985, Brian and his brother Rob-a volunteer assistant coach with the Redmen - played on a Tewksbury team that went all the way to Foxboro and won a championship. Thursday the coach said goodbye to the old field with a 28-13 victory over Wilmington to complete a 10-2 season.

"We've played more games on this field this season than we ever have," noted Brian Aylward. "It seems like we've been here every week. We were heavy on home games to begin with. Then the three playoff games were here."

It will be a busy offseason for the Tewksbury coach as the team shifts gears and moves to the new field that will be under construction adjacent to Doucette. The project will also eventually include a new fieldhouse to replace the James Brooks Fieldhouse. The names of Doucette

uniform and equipment. Immediately after Thursday morning's game, the junior quarterback stood in the mud and asked his coach for a minor schedule adjustment so he could get to a part time job. The young man came a long way in his development this season, and he will get to cherish the memories of the old place before making some new ones on a sparkling, shiny diamond of a field next season.

There were so many people with so many memories Thursday morning. I wanted to speak with everyone, but time ran out on the season. It was a morning that will stick with me forever. Your own mortality and a bit of melancholy gets mixed with memories when you reach a certain age. After I watched Shane Aylward score two touchdowns to put a nice finishing flourish on an injury-riddled season, I moved on to the task at hand. Where were the old guys saying goodbye to an even older field? Here is a sampling of those conversations.

JIM PANZINO (1974)

"My first big game memory at Doucette Field was the Pop Warner Carnation Bowl in 1970. We had a great team coached by legends Ernie Lightfoot, John Hazel and Jim Brooks. Our opponent was a team from Staten Island, New York. The surroundings had the feeling of a bowl game for a bunch of 13-year-olds. This team was the core of Coach Aylward's first squad at Tewksbury High School. It included Lefty's first co-captain Mike King, Rick Mackey, Richie Sullivan, Eddie Powers, John Breen, Tom Luciano, Micky Rasmussen and myself. Ernie Lightfoot taught us toughness. He later reunited with Coach Aylward for our senior year at the high school, which helped us take toughness to a whole new level. Sadly, that team

40 yards to chase down Doug Stewart as he crossed the goal line. We had a bad team despite great leadership from Dave Smith and Tommy Morin. We never gave up that season. Revenge was sweet the next year in Wilmington with Coach Aylward on our sideline. In my unbiased view, that 1974 team started the Aylward/Tewksbury dynasty."

MIKE SMITH (1980)

MIKE BUSCANERA (1982) &

MIKE MACKEY (1984)

"I've never seen so much excitement like when all of the old players were on the field at halftime. It was great to see the Wilmington guys. That actually made it more special. My brother Steve graduated in 1972. My brother Dave graduated in 1974, but unfortunately has passed away. He would have loved to have been here today," said Smith. I played beside Mike's brother Steve on the Redmen defensive line in 1971.

"I remember sitting in the locker room getting ready for the game and hearing the marching band pass by beating on the drums," offered Buscanera. "I also remember Monday afternoons watching game films under the stands in what we called The Dungeon. I will never forget those years."

"My memory would be my nephew Sean scoring all the points in a 3-2 win over St John's in the only Division One year. He kicked a field goal and took a safety late in the game so he could punt it deeper as time ran out," said Mackey.

MARK "FUZZY"

PETROS (1977) &

TIM BOUDREAU (1985)
"I'm practically speechless. There are a lot of memories here. A lot of good friends. It's just nice to be here and see everybody. It's kind of cool," said an obviously moved

Tim Boudreau was one of the greatest athletes to ever play at Tewksbury High School and was a member of the 1985 TMHS State Championship football team.

"It's sad. But something bigger and better will come. The times change and we've got to keep moving forward," said Boudreau, who looks like he could go out there and take a few snaps today.

BRIAN BROOKS (1990)

The last name Brooks will forever have a special place in the hearts and minds of anyone following Tewksbury High School football. Brian Brooks' dad Jim will have his name atop the new fieldhouse when it's finished. Jim was President of the Redmen Football Club and was there when the football program was jumpstarted under the direction of Bob Aylward. Jim's son went on to make a name for himself with the Redmen, helping the team to the 1990 Super Bowl, leading the team as defensive captain and wearing number 55. He also wears his Redmen football heart right on his sleeve today.

"We dream about being the best, wanting to be the best for a community, for our family and our friends," said Brooks. "High school football is the best time of year. The best time of your life."

EUGENE 'MOUSEY'

ROUX (1977)

Charlie Roux' kid brother-affectionately known as 'Mousey'-made his mark early in his Tewksbury High School varsity football career with determination and toughness that was off-the-charts. He is still displaying that gritty attitude in the face of a far more serious battle today. It was during a scrimmage in 1977 that Roux was running along a muddy patch of Doucette Field when his calf was gashed wide open by a metal can protruding out

year because of it. The muscle was involved at the tibia. Every time he put pressure on it the stitches would split."

Roux would eventually recover and play a big part in Tewksbury High School's football reboot. The players had bought into Aylward's unbridled enthusiasm for playing the game.

Roux' mom Dorothy helped run the family business for six decades, but she always found time to be an enthusiastic supporter of Tewksbury sports programs because her sons were involved and she loved watching them compete. She always seemed to be sitting right at the 50-yard-line no matter what the field was named. Charlie played at the Center School Field. His brother played at Doucette. Same field. Different name. Same competitive Roux family. After the games the Roux house was a destination spot to celebrate victory. 'Mousey' loved every minute he was on the field for the Redmen, and it showed. In all the years that I've known The Mouse I've never seen him not smiling. When I found him Thursday morning after the drone photo he had the same smile of the teenager that I remember all those years ago.

"I loved playing in this mud," he said. "We never lost in the mud. We were Aylward's first champions."

Roux has the smile of a champion. He looked tired, but still ready for a fight. This time it's about more than playing a football game on a muddy field in November. Roux is fighting for his life.

"About a month ago I wasn't feeling well. I got out of work and was on the couch for about five days," Roux remembers. "I went to see my daughter, who is a nurse practitioner. She called an ambulance and we went

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out of there and went straight to Mass General."

There was some bad news coming his way. Roux wasn't knocked to his knees when the test results came back. He just got himself prepared for the fight of his life. Roux had just been diagnosed with Stage-4 lung cancer.

"Right now they are doing the radiation. In December they told me they were going to take the next step. We don't know what that is yet. I'm getting up every day at five o'clock in the morning to make it to the hospital every day. I have eight more radiation treatments left. Then we have the big meeting next week."

Say a prayer for The Mouse. He will get whatever news the doctors give him and get ready to give cancer hell. The disease is in for quite a ride. People just don't toss the words "Tewksbury Tough" around because they need a cool sounding slogan for a football game. It's real. I know it. Guys like Roux

know it. Every man on that field last Thursday morning knows it.

SAYING THAT FINAL GOODBYE

Dirt or mud. Sometimes there was grass. Although I seldom played on grass. There were important games that probably should have been cancelled, but we played in the mud at the Center School/Doucette Field. Sure it often looked bad, and Andover would come to town and refuse to play on a field that didn't seem fit for cows, much less some clean and slick Golden Warriors. Like many visiting teams coming to Tewksbury, Andover got muddy and wet real quick. The Redmen were prepared to play football in any conditions.

Sure the field looked bad. But it was never embarrassing, because it was ours. It belonged to us. We felt right at home in the dirt and the mud and the dusty sand that the field's surface turned

into every August during double session practices. How many times did I plant my face right into a pile of dirt or a mud puddle while doing the dreaded "up-downs" that were a part of every practice? I was a mess minutes into every session. And I loved every minute of it.

When the drone went away and the photo had been taken, the older Redmen and Wildcats beat the cold rain and headed to their turkey and all the fixings. Everyone had a destination. Thursday morning was part of another journey well taken. Old Doucette Field is tired. It's time has passed. It's time to make some new memories. Kids like Ryne Rametta deserve the very best. We've had our days in the mud and the dirt. We've seen all the blood and the sweat that it takes to build a winner with some obstacles in the way. It's time for a new generation of Tewksbury High School football players to move on to a new field and



Tewksbury resident Ron Hill watches the Thanksgiving Day game from the bleachers of Doucette Field. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

make some memories own. Thanks for the memories they can call their very See ya Old Doucette.

Second half comeback, lifts Rams to victory over AC

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BILLERICA - There aren't many traditions greater than Thanksgiving Day football in Massachusetts.

It's been said that you can throw the records out the window because Thanksgiving is basically a one game season in itself.

That certainly was the case for Shawsheen Tech and Arlington Catholic last Thursday morning when the 9-2 Rams and the 2-9 Cougars squared off in their first ever Thanksgiving Day meet-

ing at the Charles H. Lyons Athletic Complex.

The team's records mattered very little in this contest, with both squads battling for every yard before Shawsheen finally prevailed by a score of 14-8 to give them their first ten win season since the 2010 Super Bowl winning team which won 11 games.

While the Thanksgiving Day meeting was a first for the long time rivals, they were no strangers to each other heading into the game, having faced each other for the past 18 consecutive years, usually in an early September game. Shawsheen coach

Al Costabile was not surprised that his team had to work hard to earn the win over the Cougars.

"It was a hard fought win," Costabile said. "Arlington Catholic came to play. They made it their Super Bowl game, and they played very well. The schools are very familiar with each other and we have a great rivalry, and that really added to the whole Thanksgiving Day experience. We hope this is the start of a great Thanksgiving Day tradition."

It looked like the Rams were going to start the new tradition with a score

on their opening drive of the game, but after an interception by AC's Jose Davila in the end zone, the Cougars went on a time consuming 94-yard drive, converting four third downs along the way, before Paul Hammond connected with Michael Fogarty for a 33-yard touchdown pass, coupled with a two-point conversion to make the score 8-0 late in the first quarter.

That was how the teams would go to the half as well, as Shawsheen stepped it up defensively, but were unable to get things going on offense. That would soon change, however.

"We had a little trouble getting going offensively in the first half," Costabile said. "But it was much different in the second half."

The Rams would finally get on the board late in the third quarter. Following a clutch interception by senior Jake Bonnano, Shawsheen would go on a 56-yard drive for their first score of the game, a ten-yard run by junior Diondre Turner of Wilmington (17 carries, 147 yards) with 1:41 left in the third quarter. The two-point conversion failed however, and the Rams still trailed 8-6 heading into the fourth quarter.

"The offensive line did a great job in the second half, pushing the line of scrimmage and we had a lot of positive gains and really no negative plays, which we had in the first half," Costabile said. "Actually, I thought both our offensive and defensive lines stepped it up in the second half. We moved the football well and converted some big third downs."

A fumble recovery by the Rams on the Cougars next possession led to another Shawsheen touchdown, this time with junior quarterback Chris Disciscio (12-for-17, 175 yards, 1 TD, 2 INT's) connecting with senior wide receiver Conor Rooney of Wilmington for a 22-yard touchdown pass. The duo would also connect for the two-point conversion and the Rams had a 14-8 lead with 9:01 left in the game. A key play on the drive was a great catch by senior wide receiver and captain Anthony D'Ampolo of Tewksbury to give the Rams a first down.

"That was great to see Anthony come up with a big play like that as a senior captain," Costabile said. "It has been a tough year at times for him, but he has kept working, so it was great to see him make a play like that on Thanksgiving. He made the catch right in front of our sideline, so our kids were all-over him congratulating him."

The Shawsheen defense held strong on the next possession, forcing the Cougars to punt, and took over at their own six-yard line with just over six minutes left in the game. From there, the Rams ran out the clock with the combination of Turner and sophomore Dylan Timmons of Wilmington (9 carries, 60 yards) to give the Rams the win.

While there were offensive stars aplenty for the Rams in the second half, there were plenty of stars on defense as well. In addition to Bonnano's interception, his sixth of the season, senior defensive back Connor Rich also had an interception, his fifth of the season.

In addition to the

turnovers, defensive tackle Liam Fitzgerald also had a big game with nine tackles to lead the team, while Liam Kelley had a big sack to thwart an Arlington Catholic drive.

Costabile was impressed with the way his team rebounded after a tough start, especially in light of the Rams suffering a tough loss to Assabet Valley in the vocational playoffs last Saturday.

"You do worry about that," Costabile said. "You lose a playoff game with Assabet where we wish we could have played better, and then we have the tough start, so it was great to see them bounce back the way they did. It took us a while to get going, but we had a great effort in the second half to get the win."

The win wrapped up a tremendous season for the Rams, who bounced back from last year's disappointing 4-7 campaign to post the third ten-win season in program history, with the others coming in 2010 and 2007.

And the best news for the Rams is that despite losing some key seniors like D'Ampolo, Rich and Bonnano, along with top wide receiver Josiah Martinez of Wilmington, tight ends Conor Rooney and Santino Garofalo and linebacker Shane Stairs, they will bring back a strong core of returning players next season, including Disciscio, Timmons and Turner.

"We are going to lose a great, great, senior class. They were the ones who wanted to turn it around this year and they did that," Costabile said. "But we return a good core of players, so I am very excited about that."



Above, Shawsheen Tech wide receiver Josiah Martinez, of Wilmington, is tackled by Assabet Valley's Dominic Goulette (15), while Rams' teammates Diondre Turner (12) and Liam Fitzgerald (54) looking to add support and below, Tewksbury's Anthony D'Ampolo holds back Assabet's Nick Carvalho and Dakota Schofield. These pictures were taken from first round of the state voc tournament played two weeks ago.

(photos by JoeBrownphotos.com).



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of others who all saw varsity time.

"I love the potential that we have with this group," said Turner. "We're really excited to be bringing back Gavin (Erickson), Marcello (Misuraca) and those guys. The future is so bright, but it's certainly going to be hard to replace (Christian) Robarge, Bailey (Smith), Pat (McAndrew), Dean (Nally) and those guys. Those are guys who are just stalwarts with everything that we do and that's the challenge now is try to replace those guys."

"We need some of these younger guys, who can be really good players, need to step up and take a leadership role. It's good to be able to catch touchdowns and run good routes, but now you need to be a leader on and off the field. That's the challenge for us over the next nine months or so."

ESPOSITO FOOTNOTE

In the November 17th edition of the Boston Globe, Michael Grossi pointed out that Pittsburgh Steelers running back Trey Edmunds became the fifth player in NFL history to record an interception and have two or more rushing attempts in the same game. The other four players: Tony Dungy (1977), Bill Butler (1964), Dick James (1963) and former Wilmington great Mike Esposito, who helped the Atlanta Falcons beat the New Orleans Saints, 35-7 on December 18, 1977.

In that game, Esposito had the interception, but also rushed the ball six times for 19 yards.

Thanks to pal Dave Orndorff for pointing the article out.

Wilmington Town Crier's Coach of the Decade: Steve Scanlon

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WILMINGTON - Back in December of 2009, the Town Crier put together a 10-person panel to vote on the Coach of the Decade as well as the Male and Female Athletes of the Decade. The coach category was extremely close as Steve Scanlon edged out Jim McCune by two points. From 2000-09,

Scanlon led the boys ice hockey team to a 128-71-23 record, including eight state tournament appearances and in soccer, his teams combined to go 118-54-25, making nine playoff appearances.

Fast forward ten years later, a different 10-person panel again elected Scanlon as the Coach of the Decade, and once again the race was tight as he edged out Sue

Hendee by two points.

This time from 2010 to this past fall soccer season, Scanlon's accomplishments were again off the charts. In hockey, he guided his teams to a combined record of 139-68-27, with two league titles and two state championship titles, while falling one goal short of taking a third team to TD Garden. He also had three other teams lose in the sectional semi-finals. He did that, coaching in two different leagues (one year in Cape Ann League) and competing in two different divisions.

In soccer, he guided the teams to a combined record of 79-75-37, made five state tournament appearances with three teams losing in the sectional semi-finals, again competing in two different leagues, the Cape Ann and Middlesex League.

The first time around as Coach of the Decade, Scanlon combined for 246 wins and made 17-of-20 state tournament appearances between two different sports, all while competing in the Cape Ann League.

Now round two, his teams combined for 208 victories, two state championship titles and made 13-of-20 state tournament appearances.

"Just look at (Scanlon's) track record," said Drew Foley, the Town Crier's Male Athlete of the Decade, who played for Scanlon in both soccer and ice hockey. "He has been coaching for so many years in both sports and has won so many league titles and two state championships in hockey. I have nothing but great things to say about him. He puts people he believes in, in position to succeed."

"He is a very uplifting coach. He wants everyone to reach their maximum potential. He had very high expectations for us in both soccer and hockey, and I loved playing for him in both sports."

HALF CUP FULL

In the first five years of this decade, the Wilmington High School Boys' soccer team had tremendous success, including 2011-'14, while

competing in the Middlesex League. In 2010, the Wildcats finished 11-5-3 in the final year of the Cape Ann League but were eliminated in the first round of the state tournament.

Then from 2011-14, the 'Cats finished 6-7-6, 14-2-5, 17-3-1 and 11-4-6, all while competing in the much tougher league. The 'Cats lost three straight years in either the Division 2 or Division 3 sectional semi-finals. Those five years, the program went 59-22-21, including 48-17-18 in the ML.

"We had some good winning teams," Scanlon said. "I remember the years with Drew (Foley), Cory (McGilvary) and those guys. We had some good teams and we hung right with those Middlesex League teams."

The 2014 team was the last Wilmington team to qualify for the state tournament. At that time, it was the tenth straight year that the program advanced to the playoffs.

"That team had (Kevin) Goncalves and Evan (Raffi) and that was another real good team," said Scanlon. "We haven't gone to the tournament since."

Since that 2014 season, the program has indeed fallen on hard times in

terms of wins and losses. Wilmington has gone 5-8-5, 5-10-3, 6-10-2, 3-11-4 and this past year 1-15-2.

"From player one through twenty, there's been a decline in the skill level the last few years," said Scanlon. "We still have good players, but before we played in a league that was more of a fit for us as a (soccer) program. We have struggled since. The Middlesex League is loaded in soccer. Winchester just won the state title so this is the second straight year that the league has a team in the state final. All of those (Middlesex League teams) advanced pretty far in the state tournament, and facing teams like that is pretty hard for us (right now)."

Scanlon added that when it comes to competing in the Middlesex League, he believes being one of the smaller schools can sometimes really take a toll on a sports program.

"I think when it comes to high school sports, a lot of teams can go up and can do down (in cycles)," he said. "A program like Reading can just reload every year - they have the numbers. We are a smaller school, so we have the ups and downs more so than a bigger program like theirs."

DOUBLE THE PLEASURE

Much like soccer, the first five years of the decade was pretty special when it comes to the ice hockey team. In 2009-'10, the Wildcats finished 21-1-1, finished the regular season without a loss, won the Cape Ann League, before losing in the Division 2 North Sectional semi-finals.

The following year, the first in the Middlesex League, Wilmington finished 18-3-2, again going 2-1 in the tournament and again losing in the sectional semi-finals.

Then came the 2011-'12 season.

"I knew that we had a good team going into the season," said Scanlon. "Our strengths were in the key positions. We had an exceptional forward in Cam (Owens), we had a great goaltender in Drew (Foley) and we had the puck lugging defenseman in Brian Pickett. Our strength was up the middle and we also had a great support group."

Wilmington finished the regular season with an 11-4-5 record and were the No. 8 seed in the tournament, one spot behind the returning D2 state champions and neighbors of Tewksbury.

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For the second straight time, Steve Scanlon was voted by a panel of 10 different people as the Town Crier's Coach of the Decade. (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

Explanation of the Decade Awards and the process

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WILMINGTON/TEWKSBURY - Over a month ago, a similar story to this one ran in the Town Crier giving our readers an explanation and an advanced look into what we had hoped and planned to be a Decade Section, much like we did in 2009.

Since that story appeared in the Town Crier, things have changed a bit. We didn't do an entire section devoted to the decade. Instead we have broken it up over two weeks. In this section, are the respective Coach and Male and Female Athletes of the Decade from either Tewksbury or Wilmington. Next week, we will feature the top-ten teams of the decade from each respective town.

For a little background into the decade awards, back in 1999, the Town Crier Sports Staff selected its first ever Coach of the Decade and Male and Female Athletes of the Decade in both towns, Tewksbury and Wilmington.

In Tewksbury, the winners were Bob MacDougall, MaryAlice Brady and Tim Lightfoot and in Wilmington, it was Paul Lyman, Danny Ballou and Judy O'Connell.

Those selections were made solely by the Town Crier Sports Staff at the time.

Ten years later in 2009, we decided to change up the process. We put together a panel of 10-people who voted on nominees which were put together by the Town Crier Staff. The ten people (who remained anonymous) were made up of other local sportswriters, some others coaches on both the two high schools who were not nominated, as well as some local residents, who were familiar with the local sports scene.

The winners that time were Steve Levine, Mike Rocco and Kelly Boyle in Tewksbury and then in Wilmington, it was Steve Scanlon, Ernie Mello and Lani Cabral-Pini.

Well another ten years has gone by and another 10-person panel was put together in the respective towns, with some people serving twice and a handful of newcomers.

A month ago, we teased the people who made the

final lists and in this section as you can see the winners have been announced.

In Wilmington, it's Steve Scanlon for the second time as Coach, and then Drew Foley and Olivia Wingate were named as the Male and Female winners.

In Tewksbury, Brian Aylward got the nod as Coach, with Derek Petti and Rachel Sessa as the two athletes.

Putting something like this together is never easy, so in a brief summary, I chose the panel, the nominations, did the background checks on each candidate and sent the packets out to each person on the two panels. They then ranked each candidate on a point system from their top to bottom choices.

In case of tiebreakers, the person with more first, second, third, etc., votes wins out.

The guidelines for the nominees were pretty simple: the athletes had to graduate from either Wilmington, Tewksbury or Shawsheen Tech (from Wilmington or Tewksbury). No athletes who were on the list back in 2009 were eligible.

In terms of coaches, only those who coached at the three schools were eligible.

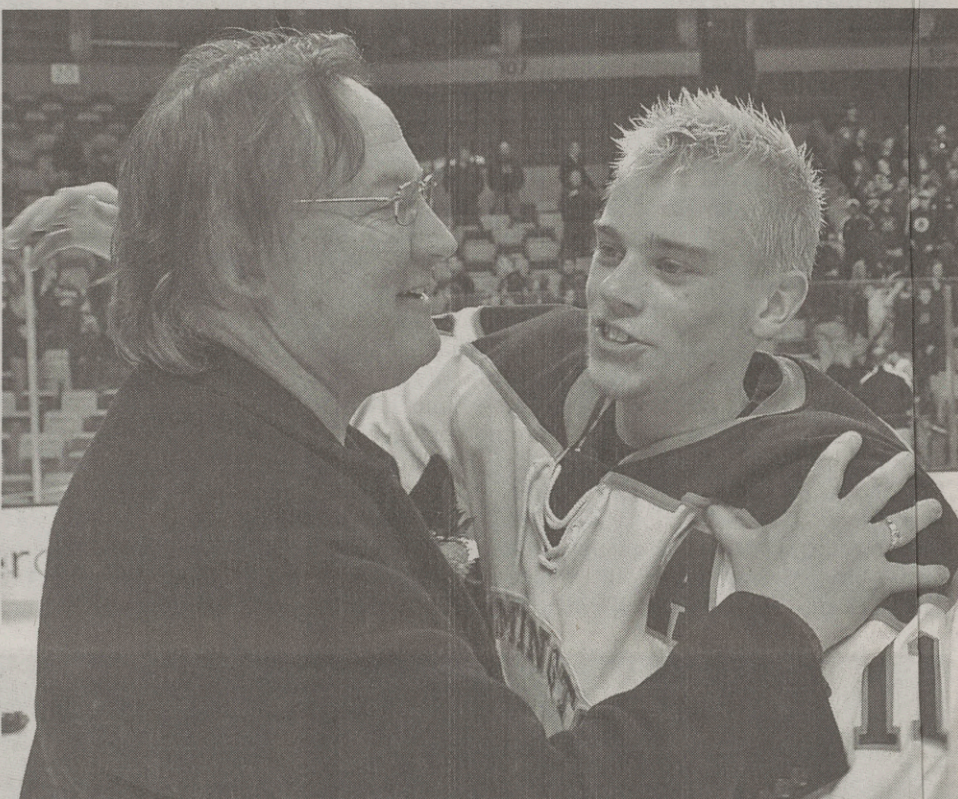
In terms of accomplishments/accolades, the panel voted on what the coaches and athletes did from January 1, 2010 to September 1, 2019.

We have also included the final voting tab in each respective sports section.

I would like to personally congratulate each and every one of the nominees. To me, being one of the top coaches or athletes from your town over a ten-year span is an incredible honor.

I'd also like to thank each and every person on the two panels, as this was not an easy task for sure. Both towns, Wilmington and Tewksbury, have been blessed with a number of tremendously talented athletes over this past decade, and the sports staff here has been proud to tell their stories.

Finally, over the next few weeks, we will have our annual Coach of the Year, as well as Male and Female Athletes of the Year.



After winning the Division 2 State Championship game for the second year in a row, back in March of 2013, Steve Scanlon and assistant captain Brian Pickett celebrate together on the TD Garden Ice. (file photo/JoeBrown).

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COACH	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOTALS
Baker	3	5	3	2	4	3	4	4	1	2	31* (2)
Caira	2	1	1	1	6	6	5	1	5	1	29
Costabile	5	3	5	4	2	2	6	3	2	4	36
Donovan	6	7	6	8	3	5	3	6	3	7	54
Hendee	8	6	7	7	8	7	8	7	8	6	72
Keane	4	2	4	3	1	1	2	5	6	5	33
Scanlon	7	8	8	6	7	8	7	8	7	8	74
Schell	1	4	2	5	5	4	1	2	4	3	31* (1)

FEMALE

Bennett	1	1	7	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	19
Cowden	3	3	6	2	3	2	1	7	2	2	31
Crannell	3	3	6	2	3	2	1	7	2	7	51
Fahey	5	7	5	7	8	7	3	4	6	6	58
Goulet	7	6	3	5	5	6	7	2	3	3	47
Luna	2	8	1	3	6	3	2	5	4	4	38
Wingate	8	5	2	4	4	8	8	6	8	8	61
Woods	6	2	8	8	2	4	5	8	7	5	55

MALE

Alatalo	1	6	9	1	2	1	4	1	1	2	28
Bennett	2	8	8	6	5	9	9	4	5	5	61* (3)
Curtis	6	2	6	4	8	4	2	5	2	1	40
Foley	3	10	7	11	10	10	10	11	11	11	94
Furlong	10	1	4	3	6	6	5	6	4	4	49
Gillis	8	11	3	9	11	11	11	10	7	8	89
Hurley	7	3	11	5	3	3	1	7	6	3	49
Owens	4	9	2	10	9	7	6	9	9	9	74
Parsons	11	7	1	8	1	8	7	3	8	7	61* (1)
Roberts	9	4	5	7	7	2	3	8	3	6	54
Scifo	5	5	10	2	4	5	8	2	10	10	61* (2)

*Tie-breakers determined by more first or second place votes

The Coach of the Decade as well as the Male and Female Athletes of the Decade were decided by a panel of ten people, who are close to WHS Sports. Each panel member was given a biography of each nominee, as well as a ballot sheet to rank each nominee from top to bottom. The panel members will not be named, but their final ballots appear below, going across represented as numbers, with the athlete's numerical value going down.

As for the nominees for coach they are: Chuck Baker, Aldo Caira, Al Costabile, Mark Donovan, Sue Hendee, Jay Keane, Steve Scanlon and Brian Schell; Female Athletes include: Lauren Bennett, Kaitlyn Cowden, Emily Crannell, Amy Fahey, Dana Goulet, Alexcia Luna, Olivia Wingate and Michelle Woods; Male Athletes include: Erik Alatalo, Connor Bennett, Mike Curtis, Drew Foley, Alex Furlong, Jackson Gillis, Brian Hurley, Cam Owens, John Parsons, Tyler Roberts and Vinny Scifo.

Town Crier's Female Athlete of the Decade: Olivia Wingate

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SOUTH BEND, IND./WILMINGTON - Olivia Wingate has been chosen as the Town Crier's Female Athlete of the Decade mainly because of what she accomplished on the soccer field throughout the decade. However, her athleticism far exceeds just kicking a soccer ball around for not just her high school team, but the United States Under 16

and 18 National teams, and currently as a member of the Notre Dame University women's team. So clearly she has proven that she is not just one of Wilmington's all-time great female athletes, but certainly has received that respect throughout the country for what she has accomplished over this decade.

This season, she was one of five ND players to appear in all 21 games, and last year she appeared in all 18 games,

thus she has made an immediate impact on one of the most prestigious collegiate programs in the country.

While Wingate has opened the eyes of many when it comes to her soccer skills, she was a dynamite hockey player for one season here at Wilmington, scoring 20 of the team's 55 goals, despite the Wildcats finishing with a 2-17-1 record.

But her athleticism is so off the charts, she could

easily have been one of the best sprinters the track-and-field program has ever seen, while she also dabbled in the other recreational sports as a kid, basketball and softball, so she's just one of those athletes, who could excel, no matter the sport, no matter the level of play.

Certainly Wingate's accomplishments in sports are off the charts, but she's the epitome of a well-rounded student-athlete. At WHS, she was a four-year Honor Roll Student. And with all of that going for her, you would never know it as she's extremely humbled.

"First off, Olivia is a wonderful kid," said Notre Dame head coach Nathan Norman. "She has a quiet personality, but is such a tremendous teammate. She works so hard every single day. I'm honored to have her on this team and she is just such a pleasure to coach."

GAINING NATIONAL STATUS

During her two years at WHS, Wingate played Club Soccer and was part of the Under-16 National team. Then she gave up the Club team and joined the WHS team for her last two years, while playing for the Under 18-National team. She played in various tournaments, one in Amsterdam where she scored two goals in three games, and another in Italy, where she appeared in all three games and scored the go-ahead goal against Mexico.

Certainly those trips, games and teammates are things she will never forget.

"What means the most to me is the atmosphere that comes with being a kid and playing sports for your hometown," she said. "Between the National Team and Club soccer team, I was constantly under pressure to perform and compete against who I was playing with to get looks or college offers. When I could come back to Wilmington sports, that pressure was completely relieved; it was a breath of fresh air. I was able to play with freedom and not worry so much about performance. I was able to do what I loved and feel like it wasn't a job."

"In college, you are competing at the highest level and it can be easy to get caught up in the stress of Division 1 sports, so I try to remember how I felt playing on the Wilmington home field or ice."

Throughout the decade, Wingate has played for five soccer teams - club, two national teams, WHS and now Notre Dame. That's certainly a lot of practices, games, traveling and of course devotion, commitment, desire and time - but along each and every one of those stops, came something that is also more meaningful to her than just a game.

"What I remember most about this past decade has been the friendships I made," she said. "While I struggle to remember exact games, plays, and practices, I can always

remember how much fun I had and who was by my side. Playing beside my best friends who I grew up with is an experience that not a lot of people are lucky enough to have, and something special that you won't find again. Growing up, there wasn't a team that Liz Gordon, my cousin and best friend growing up, and I weren't on together. We played Wilmington softball, soccer, basketball, and even club soccer together.

"We soon settled into our favorite sports around the end of middle school - Liz with basketball, soccer, and softball, and I with soccer and hockey - but still remained inseparable. Playing soccer and going to school with her is something I miss every day."

"During my senior year my little sister Annie made the varsity soccer team. I was sidelined with an injury so I was never able to play with her, but I can still remember my senior night when I was able to dress and pass the kickoff back to her. The picture of the both of us standing at the center circle is posted on my dorm wall."

"I also remember sitting in the parking lot before 7 am soccer practices half awake listening to Panic! at The Disco in my best friend Lindsey Amazeen's car to get us going. I still call Caryn and Jim Goulet 'coach', and fondly look back on the times I played for them and with (their daughter) Dana."

ALWAYS A WILDCAT

Before she joined the WHS team for her sophomore year, Wingate came back from a broken leg. She appeared in only half of the team's games, scoring 12 goals in about 10 games.

The following year, Wingate missed six games with the Wildcats due to her trip to Amsterdam, yet she led the team in scoring with 17 goals and 5 assists, coming in just 13 games. She went on to be named the Middlesex League Division 2 Player of the Year and league all-star for the second straight year, the Lowell Sun Player of the Year, the Eastern Mass Division 2 Player of the Year, the Massachusetts Division 2 Player of the Year, was named to the All New England Team, was named as a Boston Globe and Boston Herald All-Scholastic and shortly after that, was named as the Town Crier's Female Athlete of the Year.

She helped the team win its second straight Middlesex League title, going unbeaten during the regular season and finished at 16-1-2 overall.

"My favorite moments were the breast cancer (fundraising) games against Stoneham and when we went to the first round of the state tournament my junior year," said Wingate. "Coach (Sue) Hendee was and has been an integral part of the program and does so much for Wilmington girls soccer."

Hendee has coached for

over 30 years. She has had a long list of talented players, who have left WHS and gone onto terrific careers in college, whether it be at the Division 1, 2 or 3 level, but she knows that a talent like Wingate, comes around once every 30-something years.

"Olivia is a once in a lifetime kind of player," Hendee said. "She is the only player in WHS history to get a full ride to a major DI program and to play for the US National Team throughout her high school career. I am incredibly proud of everything that she has accomplished, and how well she is doing at Notre Dame."

"Liv finished her career at WHS as the 14th all-time leading scorer, which is quite impressive considering that she only played for two years. She did not play her freshman year and missed playing her entire senior year due to injury. During her sophomore and junior years, she also missed several games either due to injury or while traveling with the US National Team. She was a Middlesex League All Conference player and Player of the Year, Eastern Mass All Star, DII North Player of the Year, Boston Globe All Scholastic, and named to the All State and All New England soccer teams."

A YEAR UNDER HER BELT

As a freshman at ND, Wingate was still recovering from that injury she had before her senior year of high school. While she appeared in every game and started seven, it just took her time to get acclimated and basically get her feet back from under her.

"She was injured before her freshman year with us so it took some time for her to feel completely healthy," said Norman. "She went through a bumpy ride, but she was coming off a knee injury that kept her out an entire year so that was to be expected."

Wingate finished her rookie campaign scoring two goals, one each against Butler and Cincinnati. She then returned to this year's team and played fantastic from start to finish, according to Norman.

"I thought Olivia made huge, huge strides this year," he said. "She was very, very good for us. She got back into the fitness level she was used to and her strengths on the field is that she is just such a phenomenal athlete and going 1-vs-1, using her speed and athleticism and getting behind defenders. She is big, she's quick and she's an attacking player. I just thought she made such huge strides this year, so we're very excited to see what she brings next year."

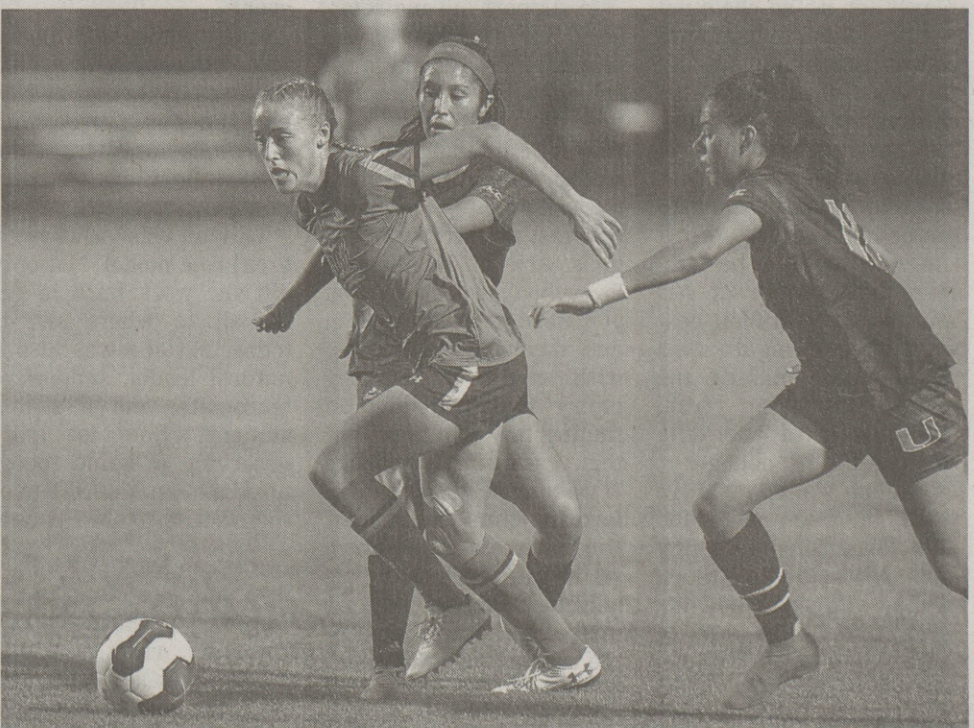
Wingate finished this season with two goals and one assist. Norman pinpointed a game against Duke where Wingate scored a crucial goal.

"She scored a big tying goal in that game," he

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Back in December of 2016, Olivia Wingate was named the Town Crier's Female Athlete of the Year, after stellar seasons with both the WHS Girls Soccer and Girls Ice Hockey teams. (file photos/Joe Brown).



In each of her first two seasons playing at Notre Dame University, Olivia Wingate has appeared in all 39 games and has scored two goals in each season.

(courtesy photo/ND).

Town Crier's Male Athlete of the Decade: Drew Foley

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WILMINGTON -- There have been many great male athletes over the past decade at Wilmington High. From multi-sport athletes to great basketball players, great baseball players, great football players and great track athletes, many could lay claim to being the most outstanding athlete the school has seen over the past decade.

But in the end, there really was only one choice to be the Wilmington Town Crier's Male Athlete of the Decade, and that honor belongs to Drew Foley, a 2014 graduate of Wilmington High, who starred as both a goalie for the Wildcat hockey team and as a forward/midfielder for the Soccer team.

Foley, who was always humble during his high school career despite his great accomplishments, maintained his humble demeanor when he was informed that he was selected as the Athlete of the Decade.

"It means a lot to me to be selected among so many great athletes," Foley said. "When you are in high school, you really don't think of these kinds of honors. In high school, I was just having fun hanging out with my friends and playing sports I loved. Looking back, I was just glad I got to make a lot of great friends, who I am still friends with today."

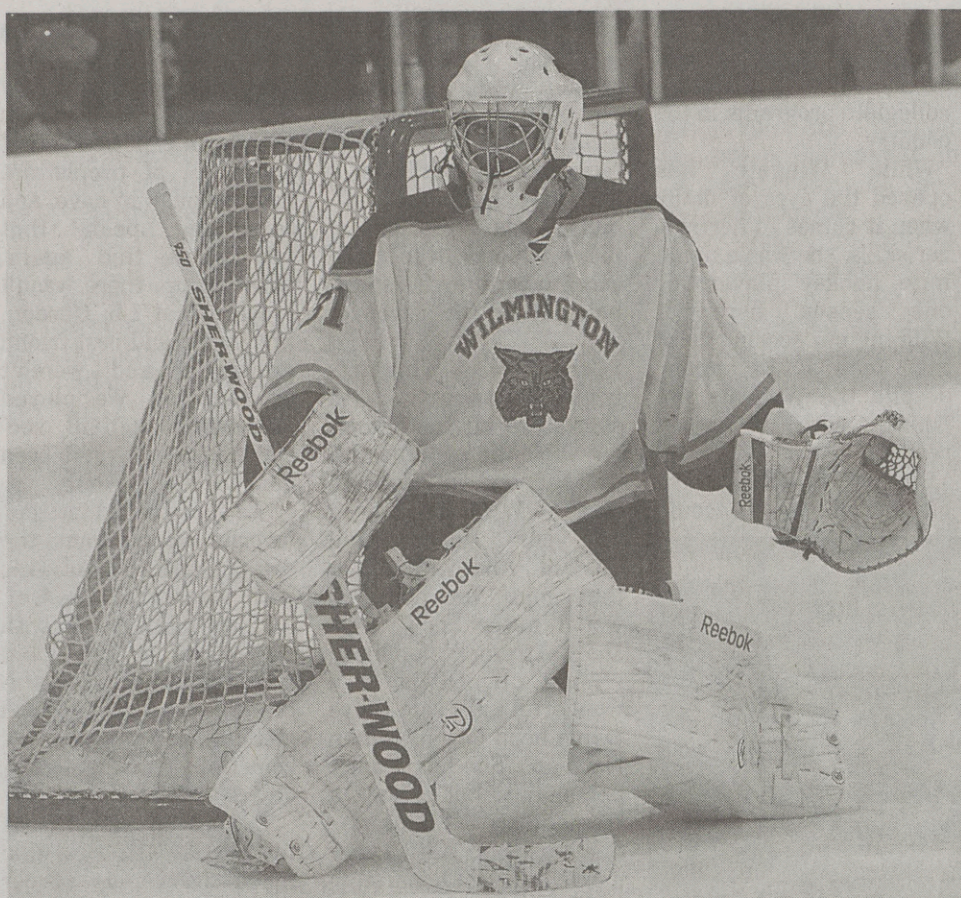
Humble as he may want to be, the reality is that when it comes to his hockey career, saying that Foley "starred" as a goalie is vastly under-selling just how great he was. Not only was he the greatest goalie in the history of the Wilmington High Hockey program, he was arguably one of the all-time greatest goaltenders the state has ever seen.

In three years as the starter for the Wildcats, he finished with an overall record of 52-11-4, with 19 shut outs and a 1.49 GAA. He led the team to back-to-back Division 2 state championship titles, including posting a shut out in the second win.

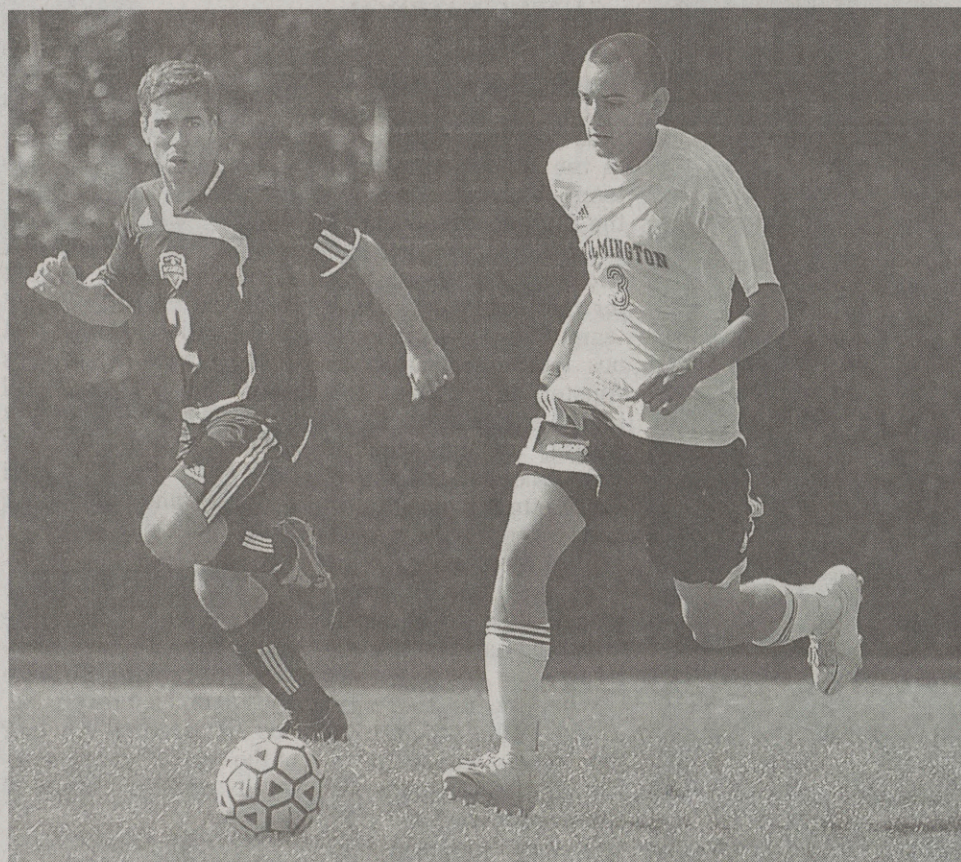
His senior year, he took the team to the Division 1 North Sectional Finals, losing an epic 11-round shoot out game against Reading, which was his only playoff defeat. He made 40 saves that night, excluding the shootout. He was 13-1 in playoff competition during his career.

Steve Scanlon, who coached Foley in both sports, knows just what a special athlete he was, and also what a dedicated athlete he was.

"Drew was certainly an above average talent. He was not just skilled in two



Back in 2013, Drew Foley was the Town Crier's Male Athlete of the Year. During his career, he had many highlights, including being named the Middlesex League's Player of the Year in both sports, ice hockey and soccer. (file photos/Joe Brown).



sports, but his temperament, especially in the net (in hockey) made him such a great athlete," Scanlon said. "He never got too high and he never got too low. He was confident in his abilities. Not once did he ever lose his head in a hockey or on the soccer field and that helped him become a great leader. He was very calm. He was a good natural athlete with good skills, but the way he was always so even keel, even when things would get crazy, is what separated him from other athletes."

During his sophomore season of 2012, he was 16-4-5 for the ice hockey team, had a .931 save percentage, a 1.69 GAA, six shut outs, was 5-0 in the playoffs, giving up just seven goals and posting one shut out. He capped his remarkable season by making 20 saves in the Wildcats 3-2 win over Franklin in the state championship game at TD Garden, delivering the

first ever state title in hockey to Wilmington High.

Foley remembers vividly his team gradually coming together as the season progressed before culminating in the great win over Franklin.

"At the beginning of the season, we didn't know what to expect, because we had just joined the Middlesex League, but we tied Woburn 2-2 on opening night, and that made us realize that we belonged in the league," Foley said. "When we got to the tournament, we knocked off Lynnfield, who was the number one seed, in the second round, and we started to believe we could beat anyone."

"And then after we beat Franklin to win the state title, I think coach Scanlon said it best when he said that this was for the whole town and also for all of the great teams that Wilmington had in the past, but were never able to get this far."

he was 21-3-2, giving up just 18 goals all season long. He had a .931 save percentage, a 1.18 GAA, seven shut outs, was 5-0 in the playoffs, giving up five goals, while posting two shut outs. His nine shut outs that season tied a school record, and that included a brilliant 4-0 white washing of Franklin, once again in the championship game.

"There was definitely a lot more pressure on us that year, because we had brought back a lot of kids from the year before, and we knew expectations for us were very high," Foley said. "I remember we really wanted to make the Super 8, but we came up just a little short. Then in the first round of the sectional we did not play very well, even though we beat Stoneham. But after that, we played great the rest of the way, and were able to win another title."

In his senior year, during the Wildcats first season in Division 1, he finished 15-4-7 and faced 703 shots, almost 2.5 times the amount he faced his junior year, and finished with a .936 save percentage, a 1.68 GAA with four shut outs. He was 3-1 in the playoffs, giving up eight goals and had one shut out. Of course, the lasting memory of that season will always be the 11-round shootout loss to Reading in the sectional finals.

"We flew under the radar a little that season because it was our first season in Division 1, but when the playoffs came around, we started to put it all together," Foley said. "Against Reading, I felt like we were two evenly matched teams, and it was very tough to lose to them, because we really felt like if we had beaten them, we could have won another championship. That one was tough to take because I knew it meant the end of my high school sports career."

Overall in his hockey career, Foley was a part of two state championships, one league title, was a two-time Middlesex League Player of the Year, was a two-time Boston Globe and Boston Herald All-Scholastic and a three-time Lowell Sun All-Star, including Player of the Year as a senior.

NOT JUST A STAR ON THE ICE

As dominating as he was in ice hockey, he was just as good in soccer. In three years on varsity, the teams combined for a record of 37-12-12, was a part of one league championship title, made three state tournament appearances, losing in the Division 2 and D3 North Sectional semi-finals during his junior and senior years.

Between striker and midfield, he finished his

career with 21 goals and 29 assists, was a two-time All-Conference selection, the Middlesex League's Player of the Year, and was a Boston Herald and Globe All-Scholastic. In addition, he was the Town Crier's Male Athlete of the Year.

"I loved playing soccer and I loved playing under coach Scanlon," Foley said. "That was a fun team to be a part of, because most of us had played together since something like the third grade with travel soccer. By the time we got to our senior year, our former town team was now our varsity team. We were a very close knit team because we had been together so long."

After high school, Foley continued his hockey career, playing junior hockey with the East Coast Wizards of the EHL, with hopes of one day playing college hockey. Foley however, was taken out of action due to a hip injury, namely Femoroacetabular Impingement, which required several surgeries to repair, and ultimately ended not only his hockey, but also his soccer career.

"It was not a pleasant time for me," Foley recalled. "I really struggled with it. My entire life I had been surrounded by sports, both for myself and for my siblings. My entire childhood was all about sports and my dream was to one day play college hockey, so I felt like my dreams had been ripped away from me."

But though it all, Foley has persevered. In high school he had been almost as great of a student as he was an athlete, and once his hockey career was over, he put those skills to work.

Now 23 years old, he might not be playing college hockey, but he is nearing completion of his degree at UMass Lowell, where he is a senior mechanical engineering major. Through it all, Foley knows he would not be where it is today without the support of his family, including his siblings and in particular his parents, Donnie and Cathy.

"I don't think words can describe just how supportive they were for me, both when I was playing and when I got injured," Foley said. "Our whole family would always go to each other's games. That's just the way it always was. And that continued when I had my first surgery. They were all just so supportive of me. And that includes my aunts, uncles and cousins. They would always come to my games and support me and they continued that support even after my injuries. I am very lucky to have them in my life."

Town Crier's Female Athlete of the Decade: Olivia Wingate

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said. "She could score more but she's a wide player for us, so she's not necessarily (in position to score more goals). We still feel that she's very productive for us. We just like her speed, her ability to isolate her for 1-on-1 battles and creating space to get behind people."

Now with half of her athletic career over at ND and still 2.5 years left academically, Wingate was asked about making the choice of going from Wilmington to the elite and prestigious college.

"Playing soccer at Notre Dame has been one of the best experiences of my life," she said. "It is such an honor to wear the Irish jersey and I'm so lucky to get to put it on each game. The academics are unmatched, and I am challenged to be my best in all areas of my life here. The connection among everyone is unbe-

lievable; the alumni are so involved and love to support anyone related to ND. The girls on the team are my second family. We have so much fun together and I know they'll be life-long friends."

"The main adjustment for me was just realizing how fast and strong all the girls are in D1 soccer. Everybody is good, and you need to work day in and day out to keep up with them. After my injury I struggled a bit finding my rhythm, but this year I finally felt like I was myself again. My favorite game was against Duke where we were down 1-0 at half and tied it up with four minutes left. We worked so hard to press in the second half and didn't let them breathe. My teammate Erin (Hohnstein) had an amazing one touch no look pass to me, and I was in all alone to score the tying

goal. That was one of my favorite sports moments ever."

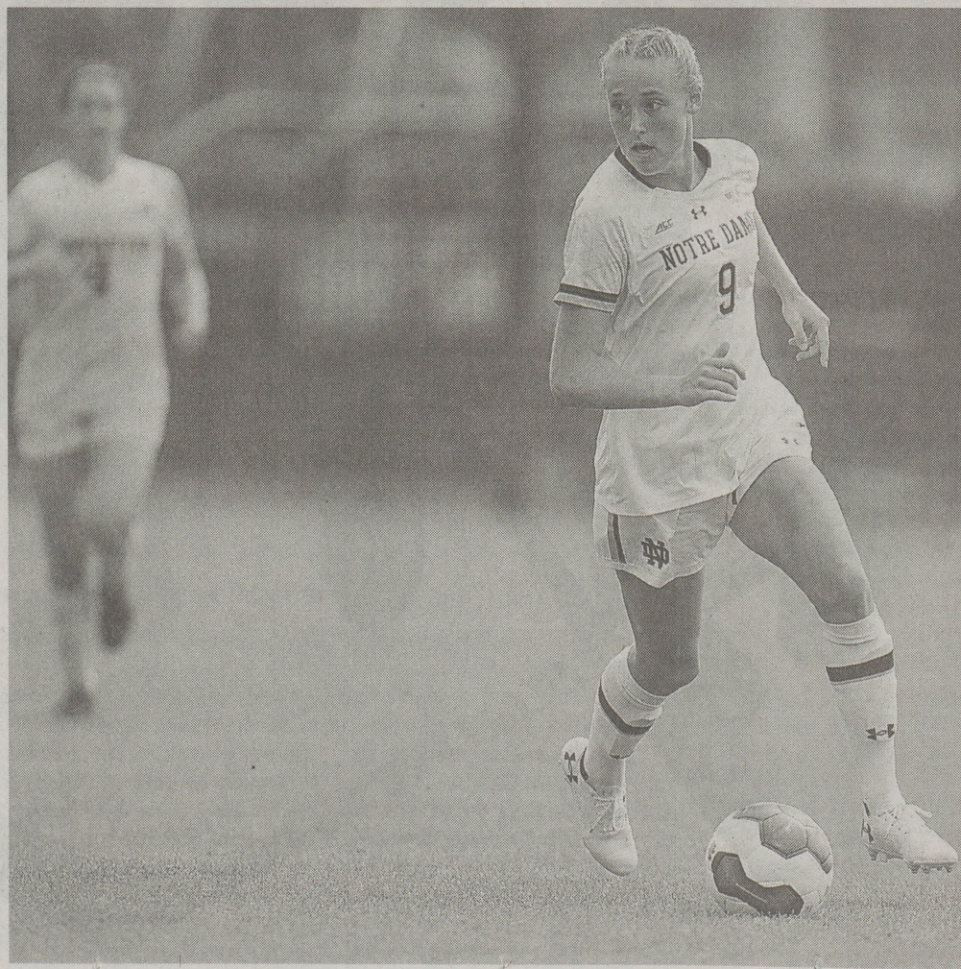
Surely, Wingate will have more opportunities to find the back of the net at ND, but she has proven that her skills away from the soccer field are actually more impressive.

"Olivia was always a great role model. Not only did she work hard to get herself to where she is today, but she was also a natural leader, supportive teammate, and a strong student. She is truly deserving of being recognized as Female Athlete of the Decade," said Hendee.

FIGHTING IRISH

To the right, Olivia Wingate handles the ball and looks to pass during a Notre Dame University women's soccer game held earlier this season.

(courtesy photo/ND).



Wilmington Town Crier's Coach of the Decade: Steve Scanlon

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The 'Cats started the tournament off strong with a 6-2 win over No. 9 seed Newburyport - a longtime rival from the CAL - before advancing to the next round to face the No. 1 seed Lynnfield, who came in at 18-3-1.

"In the third period, they were all over us. They had a couple of power plays and (Foley) just kept making all of these saves," Scanlon said. "I remember, we were all thinking that the winner of that game, would go on to win the state championship. Lynnfield had some real good players on that team."

The ride didn't get any easier. Wilmington then went to the sectional semifinals to face a real tough North Andover team, the No. 5 seed, and came away with a 2-0 win behind another brilliant performance by Foley.

That put Wilmington into

whenever we faced other teams, our third line was better and our fourth line was just as good as our third line. I think we also benefitted from playing in the Middlesex League. That really helped us because we didn't see any teams in the tournament that were better than the ones we saw from the league."

After that state championship victory, the 'Cats returned the following November to defend their title. The team had a strong nucleus of players back, including the Big Three of Owens, Pickett and Foley, among others, including sniper Brendan McDonough.

Wilmington finished the regular season with a record of 16-3-2 and were the No. 3 seed. After a subpar performance in the first round 5-2 win against No. 14 Stoneham, the 'Cats went back to playing their

next four seasons, saying the reason was because of the two straight titles - yet Watertown Field Hockey remains in D2 after winning 17 state titles.

Anyway, bumped up to Division 1, and still with a handful of talented players back on the team, the Wildcats continued right where they left off from their second straight win at the Garden. The 2013-'14 Wildcat team finished the regular season with a 12-3-7 record and were the No. 3 seed. Wilmington picked up wins over No. 14 Matignon, 3-2, No. 6 Medford, 1-0 in overtime, before winning a 3-2 overtime game against No. 2 Arlington. That dramatic win put the 'Cats in the sectional final against No. 12 Reading, who had knocked off three terrific teams in Arlington Catholic, Melrose and St. Mary's of Lynn.

"I remember we got some really good draws in that tournament," said Scanlon. "Arlington upset St. John's of Shrewsbury and everyone thought that they were going to easily win the bracket. They were absolutely loaded and somehow Arlington beat them. Reading knocked off some teams too, Arlington Catholic and top seed St. Mary's. Things just went our way. We had a real good ride to the sectional final."

For those of us who were at that game, it'll never be forgotten. The teams were tied at 3-3 during three incredible back-and-forth periods. After two scoreless overtime periods, the game had to be settled in a shoot-out.

It went 11 rounds with 22 players.

Truly epic. Foley made 40 saves in the game and then another ten in the shoot-out. He, like the entire team, were truly magnificent.

"I'll always remember the length of the game," joked Scanlon. "It was a tough way to end the season, but it was a really good game by both teams. I would have rather seen it end with players taken off the ice like a 4-vs-4 or 3-vs-3, but it had to end at some point. It was a heartbreaking loss. To be bumped up to (Division 1) like that, getting to the sectional final, I think just said so much about the kids on that team."

Reading went on to defeat Braintree, 4-1, to win the Division 1 state championship title.

Since that loss, Wilmington went to the state tournament three more times in the last five years, including another terrific run in 2017-'18 that saw the 'Cats reach the sectional semi-finals, losing to Stoneham.

"Steve's (coaching) system works," said Ed Harrison back in the 2009 article for Scanlon's first Coach of the Decade story. "He has a plan and the kids buy into it. He's very successful. He's very dedicated and committed to getting the job done. Not only are the kids prepared, but they are respected by their opponents in both sports."

Certainly a true statement. Even a decade later.

the sectional final against No. 10 seed Winthrop, who was coming off several upset victories of their own, including over No. 2 seed Boston Latin. The 'Cats pulled out this victory, 4-2, which put them into the state final against one of the state's all-time top programs in Franklin. There at the Garden, the 'Cats came away with a thrilling 3-2 victory, giving the program its first state title.

"Yes it is still (gratifying)," said Scanlon. "For me personally, it was cool for it to happen after all of those years. We were close in (2008, losing 1-0 to Sandwich in the state final) and we all said that we hoped and thought that one day, our ship would come in and we could win one. We were just so thrilled to have won it with that group of kids."

"We were solid in the strength positions. We had the right amount of depth. Our third and fourth lines were very good. I thought

game and defeated No. 6 Boston Latin, 6-2, No. 2 Lincoln-Sudbury, 6-0, in arguably the team's best post-season performance in two years, before a 7-2 victory over Danvers for the North title. That win again put the 'Cats back to the Garden and again the 'Cats defeated Franklin, but this time by a 4-0 score.

"To win it again is just so tough, the pressure and all of that, but we did it and that was certainly rewarding," said Scanlon. "The other thing about those two teams is those kids just really loved the game of hockey. They really enjoyed each other but they loved the game. I never had to get on them at practices and stuff like that, they just wanted to play the game."

AN 11-ROUND BOUT

The following year, the MIAA did a complete disservice to Wilmington and forced the Wildcats to play up to Division 1 for the

ried the puck to the center slot a snapped a quick wrist shot past the Warrior's goalie, stick side, to give the Cats a 1-0 lead.

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Austin Prep High School's Athletic Director Patrick Driscoll, left, and Headmaster Dr. James Hickey, right, named Meredith Prior as their new girls lacrosse coach this past week. (courtesy photo).

Austin Prep names Prior as new girls lacrosse coach

READING-- Austin Preparatory School has appointed Meredith Prior as the school's new Girls Varsity Lacrosse Coach, the school announced last week.

Prior comes to Austin Prep after achieving considerable success at the high school and club level, as well as experience as a former intercollegiate student-athlete.

"I'm extremely pleased to welcome Meredith Prior to Austin Prep as our Head Girls Varsity Lacrosse Coach," Director of Athletics Patrick Driscoll said. "She is a proven leader, who has excelled in all aspects of her career as a player, director of player development and head coach. She has the determination, experience and an Augustinian foundation to lead our Girls Lacrosse program to the next level."

Prior has spent the last six years as the head coach at North Andover

High School, where she took the helm in 2014. During her tenure, North Andover tallied a record of 105-34-1.

Prior led the Scarlet Knights to four Merrimack Valley Conference Championships, three straight North Division 1 titles, three State semifinals, and a Division 1 State Championship.

Additionally, she was named the Boston Globe Massachusetts Division 1 Coach of the Year in 2014 and Eagle Tribune Coach of the Year three times.

Finally, in 2018, she was named one of 50 national recipients of the Double Goal Coach Award through Positive Coaching Alliance.

"I am honored to be named the Austin Prep Girls Varsity Lacrosse Coach and I thank Headmaster Dr. James Hickey, Patrick Driscoll and the Board of Trustees for their support and confidence," Prior said. "The

girls lacrosse team is on the cusp of greatness and with continued hard work and dedication from the players and the coaching staff I believe the team will have a new opportunity to become a powerhouse in the coming years.

"I am looking forward to joining the Austin community and helping the student-athletes as they follow their passion for the game of lacrosse."

Outside of coaching at the high school level, Prior has been active on the club lacrosse scene, serving as the Director of Player Development and College Recruiter with the Storm Lacrosse Club, as well as serving as a coach at the US Lacrosse National Tournament twice.

Originally from Southern Connecticut, Prior was a four-year letter winner in women's lacrosse at Merrimack College before entering into coaching.

McDannell resigns as Lacrosse Coach

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Zach McDannell has resigned as the WHS Boys Lacrosse Coach (photo by Jim Vaiknoras).

McDannell said. "But there was a lot of weighing of options, and talking to friends and family about what was the best thing to do. I have seen a lot of these kids in Wilmington grow as players and seen some go on to college and be successful, so it is hard to leave them."

Wilmington head football coach Craig Turner, who is also the Wildcats junior varsity lacrosse coach and McDannell's assistant, felt that McDannell made a lasting impression during his brief time as head coach.

"I thought he did an excellent job of putting his own stamp on the team," Turner said. "It was his first head coaching job at the varsity level and I thought he did a good job of establishing a positive culture. Unfortunately for us, he is moving on, but I respect his decision to do move on, and I wish a him luck at Revere."

McDannell, who starred in both hockey and lacrosse at Pennsbury High School in Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania where he was a two-time Adidas National All-American selection as a defender with the lacrosse team, is looking forward to his new opportunity in Revere. The Patriots were 14-4 last season before being eliminated in the first round of the Division 1 North Tournament.

"They have won the Greater Boston League the past couple of seasons, but they have not had suc-

13) and Fran Peters (2014-2018).

While McDannell's tenure was brief, the relationships he made while at Wilmington High will stay with him forever.

"Wins and losses are one thing, but the relationships you build with the players is the most important thing," McDannell said. "What has been nice is that I have heard from some of the kids saying thank you and they know that if they ever need anything all they need to do is call or text me."

Turner is not surprised that players reached out to McDannell to offer their support, as he saw a great connection between McDannell and the Wildcats players.

"When we first introduced Zach as head coach, the kids were very excited. He had a great connection with the kids," Turner said. "The kids all played hard for him, and that is the true measure of a coach, is if the kids are willing to put it all on the line for you. And in the case of Zach, they definitely were."

As McDannell moves on from Wilmington High, he wanted to acknowledge the school administration who offered him his first head coaching job at the varsity level.

"I am very thankful for the opportunity given to me by Wilmington High School," McDannell said. "It helped me grow as a coach and I am very grateful for that."

Bantam 1 Youth Hockey team skates away with a convincing victory

The Wilmington Wildcats Bantam 1 youth hockey team collected another win over the weekend by defeating the Andover Warriors 4-1 on Sunday night at the Haverhill Forum.

The Wildcats pretty much had their way with Andover right from the first drop of the puck. It was passing, skating hard, good defense, and puck possession that led Wilmington to the convincing win.

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ried the puck to the center slot a snapped a quick wrist shot past the Warrior's goalie, stick side, to give the Cats a 1-0 lead.

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Wildcats' lead in half. That was it for the Warriors as Wilmington clamped back down and got back to business. Captain Jason Sousa and wingers, Ryan Murphy and Brian Banks had several great scoring chances nearly extending the lead a couple of times. Great positional play and good puck movement kept the play in the attacking zone most of the game.

The few shots that Andover did get on net were quickly turned away by McLean resulting in transition for the

Wildcats.

At 4:52 Alex Burns fed a short pass to Cyr in the neutral zone. Cyr raced into the offensive zone left to right and ripped a sweet shot past the Warriors goalie up high to make it 3-1 Wilmington.

In the final frame of this fast moving game it was all Wildcats. Solid team play by all kept the Andover team in their zone much of the period forcing their goalie to make some big saves.

The disciplined Wildcats continued to put pressure on the Warriors and with

just under two minutes to play, Brett Gallucci put a good, clean solid check on the opponent knocking him off the puck. Brett Ebert picked up the loose puck and charged down the right side then sniped an incredible tough angle shot, top corner to put the Wildcats on top 4-1. Another great team effort from Wilmington! Mercier's first goal of the season proved to be the game winner!

Local gymnast fulfills her lifetime dream

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Hill. We are excited about the impact they will make on the Carolina community and our gymnastics program!"

Greene is from Durham, North Carolina. Nguyen attends iUniversity Prep in Allen, Texas, and Shinoshara trains at Brestyan's American Gymnastics Club in Burlington, Mass, under the direction of Mihai Brestyan, the former United States and current Australian Olympics Coach.

"Cory is a truly delightful person and we are so excited she will be joining us in Chapel Hill," said the UNC staff in the same press release. "She is such a powerful and dynamic athlete that she will make an immediate impact on vault and floor while bringing along exceptional routines on the other events."

THERE'S NO SOCCER BALL HERE

Cory Shinoshara was born in Japan. Her mother Lily, was born in Taiwan and moved to the United States. She grew up next door in Tewksbury, played a little bit of basketball and tennis before graduating from TMHS in 1993. From there, she attended UMass-Amherst and after she graduated, she went to Japan to teach English and during that time she met her husband Hiroshi. The couple had Cory, decided to move back to Tewksbury, before then packing up one more time and moved to Wilmington and later had second child, a boy named Kokoro, who is now 13.

About a year or so after her family moved from Tewksbury to Wilmington, Cory's grandmother noticed how much energy her young granddaughter had, while being around the house, so she suggested for Lily and Hiroshi to sign her up for an activity.

"I started gymnastics when I was six at the gym that I'm still at now called Brestyan's in Burlington," said Cory. "My grandmother was the one who had the idea to put me in gymnastics because I used to flip around a lot in my house (when I was little). I had a lot of energy when I was a kid so my grandmother suggested to my mother to put me in gymnastics. We tried ballet at first and I didn't like it, so then we tried gymnastics and I have loved it ever since."

At that time that Cory signed up for gymnastics, she was competing in another sport, youth soccer.

"The first day of gymnastics, I actually walked

in wearing my soccer uniform as I came in after a soccer practice," she said with a laugh. "When I walked in, they asked me to do something that's called a press handstand and I could just do it, I don't know how but I knew how to do it and just did it. Then one of the coaches there said that she thought I could join the team so I made level four when I was seven or eight years old and from there, I have moved all the way up to level ten."

For the past decade-plus, Shinoshara has worked her way to Level-10, which is the highest level a gymnast can reach. She has competed in an incredible amount of state, regional, national and international competitions and has enjoyed tremendous success.

At the state level, she is a four-time vault champion, a two-time beam champion and a one-time floor exercise champion. She was the parallel bars winner at the Las Vegas Invitational Meet. She has won a number of regional meets (all of New England, plus New York and a few other states) - 2015 and 2017 in the beam and 2016 and '16 on the vault.

At the National Meets, back in 2016, she placed 34th in the All-Around competition, including finishing 14th on the floor exercise. This past spring, right after making a full recovery from her ACL injury, she finished 41st in the All-Around competition, including 29th on the bars.

Her personal best scores include a 9.8 on the vault, a 9.45 on both the bars and the beam and a 9.475 on the floor, giving her a 37.425 all-around best score.

"I train in an olympic gym and Aly Raisman trains there," said Shinoshara. "My coach is very good at spotting the young talent so those are the people who he helps bring up. Mihai and his wife, Sylvia, are both really good coaches. They saw me when I was younger and they helped me come up (through the ranks). We train a lot, so when you're younger, it's three hours a day and when you're older, it's four hours a day, six days a week. I used to do morning practices, before school, then go to school, and go back to the gym from 5-9 pm. Doing those doubles helped make me a lot better, too."

Shinoshara was asked what it's like to workout on the same equipment and mats as a six-time US Olympian named Aly Raisman.

"I used to train with Aly, and I never trained with Alicia (Sacramone). I was only nine years old when she was there," said Shinoshara. "Aly would train with me in the mornings sometimes and that was good. She's a very good person and just so hardworking. She really helped us mentally - and showed us this is the way to compete. It's very scary competing. I still get scared a little bit, but she helped us out a lot with that."

On the vault, Shinoshara said that her routine is usually a back handspring onto the vault, and then a full off-flight. On the bars, she said she does a release, where she will flip and turn and catch the high bar, before catching the low bar, and then she will turn and dismount.

"The vault my favorite and probably has been since I was seven. It's the least mental of the four events and you just run and do your thing. My second favorite is the floor exercise. I like doing the leg events so the vault and the floor. The bars and the beam are my two least favorites. I don't like the beam at all. It's pretty hard. If your balance is off that day, you are just everywhere. You just have to be really spot on and really focus when you're on the beam. Sometimes if I'm tired, it's very difficult to focus and that's when it can get scary when you're competing and you are tired."

DOCTOR, DOCTOR GIVE ME THE NEWS

Like any other sport, injuries happen and certainly do in gymnastics and it didn't take long before Shinoshara hit the injury shelf.

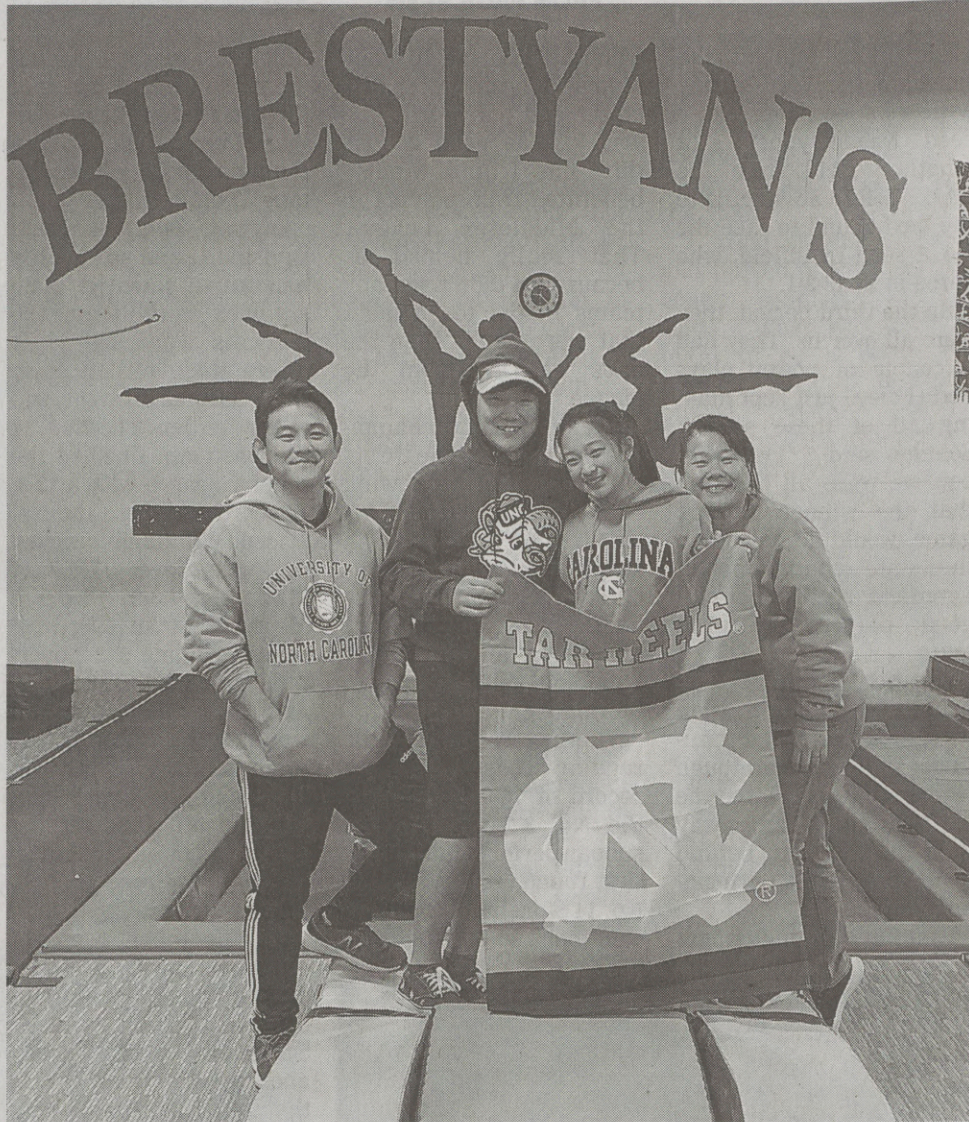
"I dislocated my elbow when I was eight," said Shinoshara. "I got surgery because the growth plate just disconnected. Then I broke my back when I was 12, that was awful and I was out for about eight months. Then I broke my left foot/ankle, then I re-injured my back again, and then I tore my ACL in February of 2018. That was probably the worst injury that I've had. I was supposed to be leaving for Japan about a month after it happened. The flights were booked and everything. I got surgery in April of 2018. Then I started to compete again in April of this year. My first meet was regionals and from there, I made it to nationals."

In the last Olympics, there were several funny scenes involving Aly Raisman's parents trying to watch her competing. Lily was asked if she can relate to squirming around in her seat, while her daughter flies through the air on the parallel bars, or flips on the balance beam.

"When I watch Cory, yes sometimes I hide, especially when she's on the beam," she answered with a laugh. "It's so hard to watch her. When she was younger at maybe level four, it was really enjoyable watching her because she was doing really easy things. Maybe when she was at level four I wanted her to get the better scores, but now I'm just so anxious and just don't want her to get hurt."

"When she got to level five and dislocated her elbow, it started to get really scary for me because she was doing a lot more advanced things. My mother, used to watch her all of the time and now she can't. She can't watch her live, she waits and watches it on video."

"As a mom, you obviously want your child to do well, but you're number one priority it to make sure that your child is safe. The second part is if the gymnasts don't do well, they are very hard on themselves. You have to prepared to encourage



Back in mid-November, Cory Shinoshara signed her National Letter of Intent to compete at the University of North Carolina, and joining in with her on the special day includes her family, from left, father Hiroshi, brother Kokoro and far right her mother Lily. (courtesy photo).

them instead of saying 'why did you do that' because they know why they fell or why they made the mistake and they are much harder on themselves than you could be."

The latest injury, the torn ACL came about 18 months ago. She sat out just about a year, did the rehab work and got cleared to hit the mats again.

"In 2017, I went to Japan (for her first international competition) for the first time," she said. "I did pretty good actually. I was going to go back the next year, but that's when I tore my ACL. Recently, this past summer, I went back there and I competed in a really big competition with a team there and I trained with them. I was there for about seven weeks and I did really good."

During that time, Shinoshara had to make an incredibly difficult decision. She had to decide whether to stay in Japan for probably a year, train and practice for the World Championships which would be a possible springboard to becoming a member of the Japan Olympic team with sights on competing in the 2020 Summer Olympics. If she chose that route, her commitment to UNC would be pushed back a semester or most likely a year, and there's no guarantee there. Her other choice, was to sign with UNC and study to become a pediatrician.

"I really wasn't a fan of the atmosphere there (in Japan). It was really different from America. (The gymnasts) don't go to school," she explained. "Japan is really stubborn when it comes to picking the olympic team. I don't know if I would have made it. They pick the same people every time, whether they did well or not (in the competitions to qualify). I just didn't know if it was worth staying there all that time and not knowing if I would make it because they always select the same team. So I decided to go to UNC."

Lily, who has worked in higher education for the last 15 years, explained the choices that were on the table at that time.

"The purpose of going there was to qualify for the olympics for next summer," said Lily. "Cory was invited back for this December for the next round, but she decided not to go and take the college route. What happens is if she chose to go back to Japan, she would have to defer college for a semester or a year and she would have to live there

for all of next year."

Cory went on to say that UNC had always been her No. 1 choice, but did have some other elite schools that were interested in her.

"I was interested in (University of California at) Berkeley and it was between there and UNC," she said. "Then I thought that Berkeley was way too far and I didn't want to travel seven hours every time I wanted to come back home."

"I visited Penn State and the University of Kentucky was interested, but the one that stood out the most to me was UNC. It's beautiful there, it's warm and I just really liked the school and it's only about a two-hour flight to come back home. I also really like the coaching staff. (Galvin is) an older coach, who really cares about his athletes, their bodies, their training and things like that which is really important. Then they also have two younger female coaches, and that's always nice to have that."

Added Mom, "The biggest reasons why we chose UNC instead of Japan was because Cory would be getting an education. Gymnastics is a part of her life but it's not her entire life and that was our mentality, school always came first."

Cory was then asked if her dreams and aspirations are still to compete in the olympics some day?

"I'm just going to see what happens at UNC," she responded. "Right now UNC's program is down a little bit but they are building a real strong team for 2021 and the goal is for us to really get up there once I (and several other gymnasts) get there. Making the Olympic team has always been my goal, but right now I'm putting that aside."

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY

Being one of the country's best young stars in gymnastics and competing in international competitions, didn't happen overnight for Cory Shinoshara. She had to work extremely, extremely hard to get where she is today.

"Her whole life since she was six has been gymnastics," said Lily. "It's really hard. She really never had a childhood. It's very hard to do all of the training that she has done to get to where she is now."

Besides the obvious things of the costs, the commitment to the sport, etc., Lily was asked about how difficult it can be for her daughter to have the pressure of being at this

elite level, despite being just a teenager with another six months left of high school.

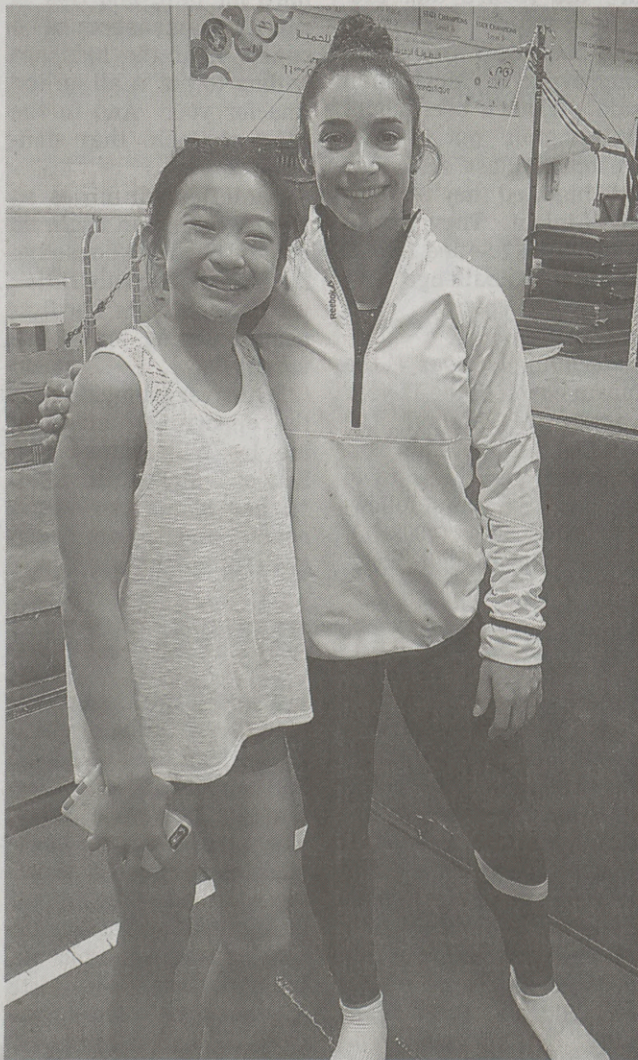
"I'm super proud of her. Obviously the UNC part is like the cherry on top, but I'm more proud of her because of her resilience. She just kept coming back after each injury. I became like her therapist. After several of her injuries, she wanted to quit (the sport) but she didn't. There would be times at practice when she would say that something hurts, and you have to decide and know when it's just a minor practice pain or something is really wrong and you have to go and see the doctor. And if something is serious, then as a parent, you think it's your fault because you didn't see the injury earlier or if she wasn't in this to begin with, it wouldn't have happened, so you have to be prepared for those things. Mentally the sport doesn't just build resilience on Cory, but also for all of us in our family as well."

"Gymnastics teaches you a lot of life-lessons, it teaches you about time management, it teaches you about your failures, and when you are out there competing, you are being judged. You have to be confident and she is confident (but not cocky)."

"While Cory has done all of this, I've also missed a lot of time with my son. I have taken Cory all around the world and I was in Japan with her for over a month. You give up a lot as a family. I think the journey is a lot of family sacrifice but I think we are all just very happy for Cory. (UNC) is her top choice for college and I just hope what she has learned the past ten to twelve years in gymnastics, she can apply to college and not just the physical skills but the mental aspect and the resilience part of it. If you fail, you learn how to bounce back and if you get hurt, you learn that it's not the end of the world."

And you eventually learn how to be a typical teenager.

"This year I have been able to go to some of the football games and do things like that," she said. "A lot of my friends at the high school I've had since I was little and playing soccer, but I've had to give up a lot of social events, dances and stuff like that (because of gymnastics). One time I did give up a practice to go to prom and my coach wasn't happy about that, but now I'm a senior and I can do more social things and my coach is OK with that."



Ever since she was six years old, Cory Shinoshara has trained at Brestyan's American Gymnastics Club in Burlington. Among the other gymnasts who trains there, includes six-time Olympic Medalist Aly Raisman. The two trained together several years ago.

(courtesy photo).

Cross-Country team competes at FootLocker Meet in New York

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NEW YORK - Several weeks ago, the MIAA's high school cross-country season came to an end, which included another stellar season by the Wilmington High School boys team.

The Wildcats had program best finishes throughout the post-season, finishing in fourth place at the Middlesex League Championship Meet, tied a program best by finishing second at the Eastern Mass Division 4 Championship Meet, and then polished that off with a fourth place finish at the Division 2 All-State Meet.

After a few weeks off, the team gathered together one last time, taking a trip to VanCortlandt Park in New York to participate in the annual FootLocker Northeast Regional Championship Meet. A total of 12 states were represented in this event and a total of 357 kids competed in the 'championship' race.

"The FootLocker race was just a fun experience for the guys," said head coach Brian Schell. "We got invited last year but it was too late to book hotels and get other things squared away. This year we made it a priority to get all those things squared away early so they could compete."

"Ideally this was just another fun meet and a

great experience for the guys. You got to see some of the top competition in the entire Northeast Region of the country. Although that is definitely what made it tough during the race by having 12 states and 357 total kids competing. Just from the start alone there were about ten kids that fell within the first forty meters of the race, thankfully it was none of our guys."

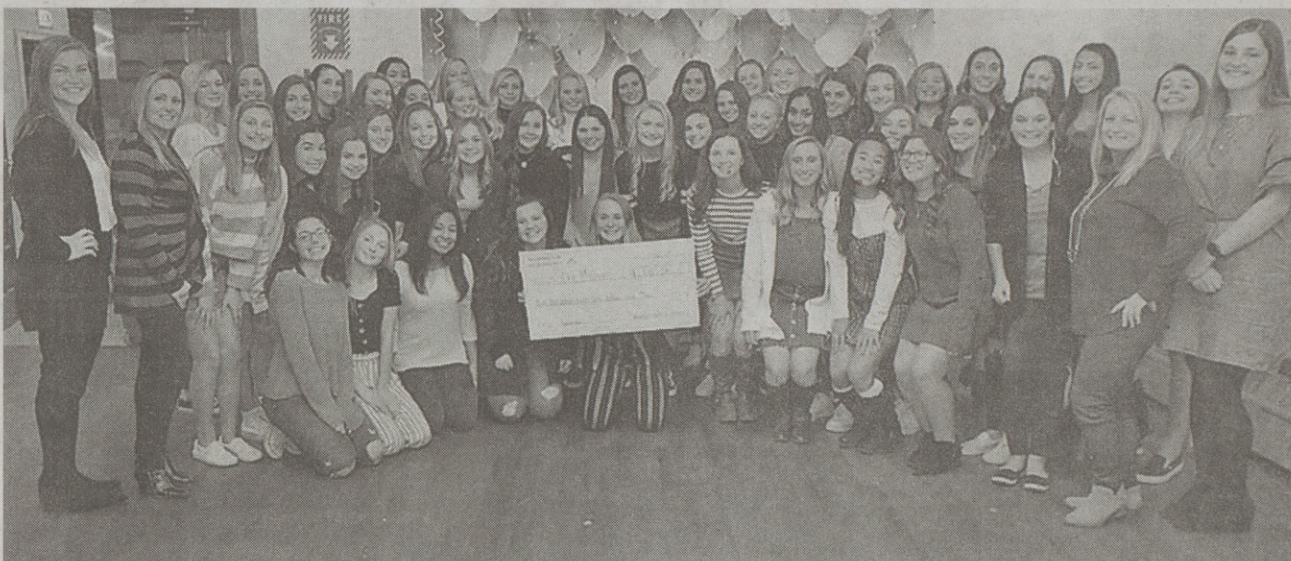
Eight Wilmington High runners competed in the race. Senior Greg Adamek was once again first as he came in 112th place at 17:09. He was followed by Greg Adamek (201st, 17:52), Joe Lydon (241st, 18:13), Sean Riley (249th, 18:18), Nolan Kennedy (262nd, 18:33), Alex Boehm (277th, 18:54), Sean Lydon (307th, 19:20) and Jake Danieli (311th, 19:24).

"Based on the boys overall times, you could tell it was difficult to gain position during the race," said Schell. "Some of the guys even said it was hard to finish strong as everyone was jockeying for position, moving side-to-side to pass and it just made it tough to accelerate and find that turn over at the end."

"Overall, it was a nice day and the guys had fun. Some even dressed for the coming holidays in their 'ugly tanks' as I call them."



The WHS Boys Cross-Country team competed in the FootLocker Championship Meet in New York this past weekend. The team includes from left, Sean Lydon, Greg Adamek, Alex Boehm, Joe Lydon, Owen Surette, Jake Danieli, Sean Riley and Nolan Kennedy.



The Wilmington High School Field Hockey team kicked off the season of giving by making donations to several charities both local and regional. The girls showed their support for Pediatric cancer by wearing gold laces the month of September. They raised over \$800 which will be donated to both One Mission and Go 4 the Gold charities. Both of which support pediatric cancer patients and their families. Also, the girls and their families brought non perishables for the Wilmington Food Pantry, toiletries, diapers and wipes for one of Wilmington's angels Paula Stalker to bring to safe houses.

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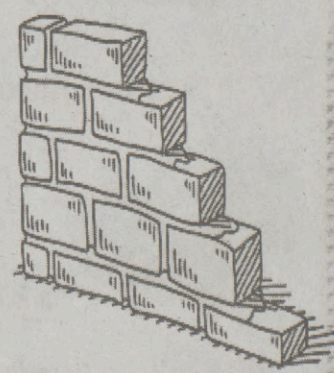
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